THE WEATHER.

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AFFIDAVITS IN THE PERSIA CASE DO NOT GIVE ANY NEW FACTS

Conclusive Proof That Liner Was Torpedoed is Not Revealed by Survivors.

QUESTION MARKS TIME

Lansing is Hopeful That Information From Vienna May Clear Up Situation.

Government at Present Unable to Shape Course.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 6. — Hope of obtaining from survivors conclusive proof that it was a torpedo that destroyed the liner Persia, was virtually abandoned at the State Department today when Consul Garrels, at Alexandria, Egypt, cabled that no new facts were contained in the affidavits he had gathered.

Secretary Lansing is hopeful that inquiries made by Ambassador Penfield, at the Vienna Foreign Office, may clear up the situation. A dispatch announcing the presentation of the inquiry was received by the secretary today, and information concerning a reply is expected before tomorrow night.

Awaiting Necessary Information.

Various aspects of the submarine crisis probably will be discussed by President Wilson and his cabinet tomorrow. The President is understood to have told senators who called upon him today that as soon as the necessary information was at hand he would take action which he believed would satisfy the people of the United States.

The matter also is expected to come up before the Senate Foreign Relations committee tomorrow when it holds its first meeting of the session. The committee discussion may extend to the question of submarine warfare in general, the sinking of the Persia, the Lusitania case and other incidents of the European war in which Americans were involved. Chairman Stone said tonight he believes that committee would map out a programme of procedure with regard to all pending matters, including treaties awaiting ratification and resolutions regarding the European situation.

The official text of Austria's reply to the second American note on the sinking of the Ancona was made public during the day by the State Department. Except for variations in translation the official text is identical with the unofficial version cabled to the United States in press dispatches from London. The note is regarded as meeting the demands made by the United States for disavowal, punishment of the submarine commander who torpedoed the vessel, and reparation by payment of indemnity for the Americans killed and injured. A response to the communication will not, it was said tonight, be prepared until the facts surrounding the sinking of the Persia are known, or it is evident that to obtain them will be impossible.

No Definite Information.

One week has now passed since the Persia was sunk with a loss of at least two American lives and the American government still is without information necessary to shape its course. State Department officials are most anxious to determine just where the Persia received her death blow and the manner by which she sunk.

With accurate information of this character and a plan showing the bulkhead arrangement of the steamship at hand, naval experts might be able to determine with some degree of certainty whether a torpedo or a mine caused the Persia to go down. There is little disposition here, however, to credit the suggestion that a mine might have sunk the vessel. It is pointed out that the place of the disaster was nearly in midway between the Island of Crete and the Northern coast of Africa. No mine fields are believed to be in that locality. On the other hand, Austrian submarines are known to have been active there. Naval officers think that if a mine had floated to that part of the sea from a distant field of operations, it would have automatically become ineffective while en route.

That any information that may be forthcoming from the Austro-Hungarian government will lead to serious complications is considered improbable. Government officials would not be greatly surprised should Ambassador Penfield be informed that an Austrian submarine commander was responsible for the sinking of the Persia, but that he exceeded his instructions or failed to receive them and that the Austro-Hungaran government regretted the fact and stood ready to make satisfactory amends.

The State Department is represented as not expecting information from Ambassador Gerard at Berlin. No instructions to inquire for information were sent to him. However, the ambassador might have made inquiries at the Berlin foreign office, as has been indicated in press dispatches, upon his own initiative.

MELLEN MADE THE GOAT, BATTS SAYS

When New Haven Officials Got Themselves in Trouble.

ARE SEVERELY SCORED

Denounced for Trying to Shift Responsibility—Counsel Declares Mellen in Testimony Tried to Protect Officials.

New York, Jan. 6.—R. L. Batts, chief prosecutor for the Government at the trial of William Rockefeller and ten other former directors of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad under the criminal clause of the Sherman anti-trust law, made his last appeal to the jury today for the conviction of the defendants. Tomorrow, after Judge Hunt has delivered his charge, the case will go to the jury for a verdict.

Speculation on what the verdict might be suggested a number of verdicts. The acquittal, conviction of, or a disagreement on all the defendants, the conviction of some, and the acquittal of others or the conviction of some and a disagreement on the others.

Those whose fate will be determined in addition to Mr. Rockefeller are Lewis Cass Ledyard, Edward D. Robbins, Charles F. Brooker, D. Newton Barney, Robert W. Taft, James S. Hemingway, Charles M. Pratt, A. Heaton Robertson, Frederick F. Brewster and Henry K. McHarg. They were collectively scored by Mr. Batts in his final summing up today for having attempted to shift the responsibility of their acts to Charles S. Mellen, former president of the road.

"When trouble came," he said, "they made Mr. Mellen the goat, if I may use that graphic term, and it is not unnatural that during this trial he should continue to act in that capacity."

Sought to Protect Officials.

Mellen, he declared had sought to protect them by his testimony and while he may have told the literal truth, he did not seem "to appreciate the oath to tell the truth and the whole truth."

"I have a great admiration for Mr. Mellen," he said, "but it is the same admiration that I had as a boy for the fine old buccaneers and pirates, who operated on the Spanish Main. While he was handling these yellow dog funds, he showed as complete a disregard for the laws of his country as any man could and keep out of the

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IMMEDIATE ACTION FOR GREATER ARMY PLEA OF GARRISON

Integrity of Nation and Its Very Existence May Depend Upon It, He Says.

ARGUMENT FOR PLANS

Project Involving Expense of $600,000,000 Laid Before the House Committee.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Flanked by a score of army generals and heads of various bureaus of the War Department, Secretary of War Garrison today appeared before the military committee of the House in the interest of the administration's plan for building up a citizen army adequate for National defense.

The Secretary read an exhaustive explanation of his scheme to spend $600,000,000 in the next four years, to create a mobile army of 500,000 men, greatly increase coast defenses, and store up an adequate reserve of arms, ammunition and war equipment.

When Chairman Hay asked if recent orders of the War Department would prevent army officers from giving the committee free expression of their individual views, Mr. Garrison replied:

"They are free as air. They are bound only by vocabulary and conscience."

Every member of the committee was present and when Mr. Garrison concluded his statement, Chairman Hay announced that members of the committee in the order of their rank would propound questions. For an hour the questioning continued, and Representative Kahn, ranking Republican member, was drawing out the Secretary's views on various suggestions as to the National Guard when the hearing was adjourned until Saturday.

Secretary Garrison made clear his opinion that no effort to federalize the National Guard would solve the country's military problem and laid great stress upon his contention that a regular army of approximately the size he has proposed, 141,000 men, would be ample to train a Federal citizen army. Increasing the regular establishment beyond that figure, he said, would add enormously to its cost with a net result of only a few thousands of additional soldiers.

Replying to Representative Kahn, Mr. Garrison said the Monroe Doctrine was a menace to the country's peace and should either be abandoned or preparation made for its defense. He agreed that the territory between the Panama Canal and the southern border of the United States was a source of peculiar danger.

"The integrity of the nation and its very existence," the Secretary said, reading from a lengthy statement he

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ITALIAN GUNNERS MAN TWO GUNS ON THE LINER VERDI

Captain Says Daily Practice Was Held on Voyage from Palermo to New York.

INTENDED FOR DEFENSE

Clearance Denied Until Guns Are Removed—State Department to Investigate.

New York, Jan. 6.—Gunners of the Royal Italian Navy were in charge of the two guns on the Italian liner Giuseppe Verdi, which arrived here today from Genoa, Naples, and Palermo, according to the capitain, Luigi Zannoni. After the vessel left Palermo, the capitain said, daily practice was held with the guns, barrels having been thrown overboard as targets. The guns were placed on the Giuseppe Verdi by order of the Italian naval authorities, but the Captain declares he was instructed to use them for defensive purposes only.

The guns were mounted on the after house of the vessel, one on either side and were in such position as to command all positions from the ship.

The captain described these guns as having a calibre of 77 M M capable of firing a shell weighing 55 kilos four and one-half miles.

WILL BE INVESTIGATED.

If Liner is Considered in Class of Warship She Will be Interned.

Washington, Jan. 6.—The Italian liner Giuseppe Verdi, which arrived at New York today with two 3-inch rifles aboard, manned by gunners of the royal Italian navy, will be refused clearance papers until the guns have been dismounted and removed. Moreover, State Department officials said tonight an investigation will be made to determine whether the liner is armed solely for defense and not as a man of war, liable to internment.

This action will be taken to insure against violation of the general rules enforced by the United States defining the status of armed merchant vessels entering its ports.

The State Department probably will take up informally with the Italian government the question of removing the guns, acting on the predent established in the case of the Waimana, an armed British vessel, which was denied clearance papers recently until the four-inch gun it carried was removed.

The question of merchant ships carrying arms for defense has given officials much concern lately. It is involved at present in the inquiry into the sinking of the British liner Persia and officials here frankly admit some modification of the laws dealing with the subject is needed in light of changing conditions of warfare and the introduction of new elements such as the submarine.

Unofficial facts as to the Giuseppe Verdi indicate violations of the rules defining the status of armed merchant vessels entering the United States as announced by the State Department in September, 1914, when the British government complained that German merchant vessels with offensive armament were escaping from American ports to prey upon British commerce. Under this ruling, which is still enforced, the indications that vessels are not equipped for offensive action are:

"1. That the vessel is manned by its usual crew and the officers are the same as those on board before war was declared.

"2. That the vessel carries passengers who are as a whole unfitted to enter the military or naval service of belligerents whose flag the vessel flies."

The fact that the Giuseppe Verdi had enlisted men of the Italian navy aboard either as passengers or part of the crew is held by officials to be in violation of these requirements. Consequently, there would be no surprise here if the German ambassador or some other agent of the Central Powers should request that the Italian gunners be interned.

An official report of the incident from Collector Malone under whose direction agents of the New York neutrality squad have examined the ship's armament probably will arrive tomorrow. The report will be submitted by the Treasury Department to Secretary Lansing and will be laid before the neutrality board for its action. Its final action will be taken by Mr. Lansing.

RUSSIANS PILE UP MORE GAINS OVER AUSTRIAN FORCES

Advices Indicate Austrians Are Hard-Pressed Over Long Line of Defense.

ARE BEING REINFORCED

Central Powers' Plan for Attack on Saloniki and in Egypt Possibly Upset.

London, Jan. 6.—The area of Russian successes over the Austro-German forces in the East continues to widen. Although the situation around Czernowitz has not yet been cleared up officially, it appears from advices from Russian sources that the Austrians are hard pressed over a long line of defense and are throwing huge reinforcements into the district. The Russians, however, are expected to strike at the Kolomea-Stanislau-Halicz line, where powerful defensive works have been in preparation for some time by the Austro-Germans.

Meanwhile the Russian position 250 miles further north on the middle Styr river has been greatly strengthened by successful operations in the region of the great marshes where the Russians are beginning to emerge with prospects of being able to use the roads leading either northwest, west or southwest. The advice here is that this has not been the result of an isolated battle, but of a series of engagements lasting over a considerable period.

Plans Possibly Upset.

In the capitals of the Entente Allies the opinion is expressed that the Russian offensive has completely upset the plans of the Central Powers for an invasion of Saloniki and Egypt.

In connection with yesterday's announcement of a defeat of a German war vessel on Lake Tanganyika, in East Central Africa, a half mile above sea level, it is announced that the British ships which accomplished the surrender of the German vessel were especially constructed in England and transported to the heart of Africa. Until the arrival of these vessels, the Germans dominated Lake Tanganyika, which is the center of a large and important territory. The presence of her armed vessels on the lake will completely reverse the situation there. This is considered most opportune in view of the forthcoming campaign in East Africa.

The interest in the fate of Serbia's refugee army was shown by the question asked in the house of commons today "whether a considerable part of the Serbian army is in distress at Scutari, after having suffered great privations in the retreat through the mountains, and whether his majesty's

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PRESIDENT OUTLINES GOVERNMENT'S POLICY OF PAN-AMERICANISM

MEXICO BASIS FOR DEBATE IN SENATE

Another Discussion of Government's Foreign Policy.

DIPLOMACY IS UPHELD

Senator Williams Declares President Wilson Can Handle Diplomatic Situation With Europe Better Than Congress.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Mexico furnished the vehicle today for another discussion of foreign relations on the floor of the Senate. It preceded the adoption without opposition of a resolution offered by Senator Fall, calling on President Wilson for all available information bearing upon the recognition of the Carranza government by the United States.

Senators Fall and Lodge spoke in support of the resolution, insisting that the President should inform Congress fully concerning the situation before the nomination of an American representative to Mexico was confirmed.

Senator Williams diverted attention from Mexico in the course of the debate by commenting at length upon questions arising from the European war. He said an embargo on export of munitions would "hamstring" the United States more than any other first class power.

Senator Borah wanted to know whether the Mississippi Senator thought that after the war some European government would attack the United States out of pure spirit of conquest.

"I am not anticipating any attack in the first place," Senator Williams replied. "I am anticipating bullying first and I am anticipating the fact that the American people will not consent to be bullied."

He declared there would be plenty to quarrel about, referring to repeated torpedoing of unarmed merchant ships by one nation and similar acts by the ally of that nation after questions involved apparently had been settled by diplomacy.

"These are in the field of diplomacy now, and the President of the United States has very wisely attempted to keep them within the field of diplomacy," he added. "I am sorry, for one, that Congress had to meet right now. I think the management of our diplomatic affairs would have been more

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Principle is for Concerted Action for International and Domestic Peace.

ADDRESSES DELEGATES

Believes That America Will Establish Foundations of Might Not to be Doubted.

Lima, Peru, Chosen for Next Meeting of Congress.

Washington, Jan. 6.—The United States government's Pan-American policy was revealed in detail by President Wilson tonight, in an address before the second Pan-American Scientific Congress. He explained the proposals submitted to South and Central American diplomats here last week by Secretary Lansing as a basis for an effective agreement between all the republics of the Western Hemisphere "not only for international peace of America, but the domestic peace of America."

For Concerted Action.

The programme as outlined by the President, proposes that all the American nations shall take concerted action as follows:

Guarantee to each other absolute political independence and territorial integrity. Agree to settle all pending boundary disputes as soon as possible, by amicable process.

Agree to handle all disputes arising among them by patient impartial investigation and to settle them by arbitration.

Agree that no revolutionary shall be outfitted against, or supplies for revolutionists shipped to neighboring states.

He said the Monroe Doctrine always had been and always would be maintained by the United States on its own authority, but that the doctrine did not disclose what attitude the United States would assume towards other nations of the hemisphere, and consequently the other nations had been distrustful of it. In this connection the President said:

"The Monroe Doctrine was proclaimed by the United States on her own authority. It always had been maintained and always will be maintained upon her own responsibility. But the Monroe Doctrine demanded merely that European governments should not attempt to extend their systems to this side of the Atlantic. It did not disclose the use which the United States intended to make of her power on this side of the Atlantic. It was a hand held up in warning, but there was no promise in it of what America was going to do with implied impartial protectorate which she apparently was trying to set up on this side of the water, and I believe you will sustain me in the statement that it has been fears and suspicions on this score which have hitherto prevented the greater intimacy and confidence and trust between the Americas. The states of America have not been certain what the United States would do with her power. That doubt must be removed.

Views Charming and Hopeful.

"And latterly there has been a very frank interchange of views between the authorities in Washington and those who represented the other states of this hemisphere, an interchange of views charming and hopeful, because based upon an increasingly sure appreciation of the spirit it is they were undertaken. These gentlemen have seen that if America is to come into her own, into her legitimate own, in a world of pece and order, she must establish the foundations of a might so that no one will hereafter doubt them.

"I hope and I believe that this can be accomplished. These conferences have enabled me to foresee how it will be accomplished. It will be accomplished in the first place by the states of America uniting in guaranteeing to each other absolutely political independence and territorial integrity. In the second place and as a necessary corollary to that, guaranteeing the agreement to settle all pending boundary disputes among themselves, should they unhappily arise, will be handled by patient, impartial investigation and settled by arbitration; and the agreement necessary to the peace of Americas, that no state of either continent will permit revolution against another state to be fitted out on its territory and that they will prohibit the exportation of the munitions of war for the purpose supplying revolutionists against neighboring.

Domestic Peace of America.

"You see that our thought is, gentlemen, not only the international peace of America, but the domestic peace of America. If American states are consistently in ferment, if any of them are constantly in ferment, there will be a standing threat to their relations with one another. It is just as much to our interest to assist each other to the orderly processes within our own borders as it to follow orderly processes in our controversies with one another. These are very practical suggestions which have

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THREE LABOR MINISTERS IN THE BRITISH CABINET RESIGN

Henderson, Brace and Roberts Quit Because of Hostility to Government's Compulsion Bill—Organized Labor Congress Votes Overwhelmingly Against Measure.

London, Jan. 6.—Arthur Henderson, president of the board of education and leader of the labor party in the house of commons; William Brace, parliamentary under-secretary for home affairs, and George Roberts, lord commissioner of the treasury, also labor party leaders, have resigned from the ministry. The resignations of Mr. Henderson, Mr. Brace and Mr. Roberts were the direct outcome of the labor congress held today, which was followed by a two hour conference among the parliamentary labor members.

At the close of the conference the announcement was made of the withdrawal of the three labor members in the coalition ministry. It is understood that Mr. Henderson will take an early opportunity to explain his point to the house, probably at next Tuesday's session.

There are now four vacancies in the coalition ministry, including that caused by the resignation of Sir John A. Simon, the home secretary. Gossip already is busy over the probable successors of outgoing ministers.

OVERWHELMING OPPOSITION

Thousand Delegates Representing 3,000,000 Workmen Attend Congress.

London, Jan. 6.—Organized labor of Great Britain sitting in Congress in London today, decided against the government's compulsion bill by the overwhelming mapority of 1,998,000 votes to 783,000.

Hostility to the government's measure was uncompromising and necessitated the resignation from the coalition ministry of all three labor members, Arthur Henderson, William Brace and George H. Roberts, holding respectively the offices of president of the board of education, parliamentary under-secretary for home affairs, and lord commissioner of treasury. Their resignations were announced during the evening.

The labor congress was in many ways the most important body of the kind ever assembled. More than one thousand delegates were present, representing four hundred unions and three milli ownorkers.

In addition to the formal vote against the government's compulsion bill, the congress rejected by four to one a motion pledging the principal of compulsion for single men; and passed by 2 to 1, another motion directing the labor party to oppose the bill in all its stages in the house of commons.

The congress closed with an enthusiastic scene, the feature of which was the singing of the socialist anthem "The Red Flag," by some of the delegates.

The delegates met in the so-called Central Hall opposite Westminster Abbey and a stone's throw from the parliament buildings.

One of the speakers, James Henry Thomas, as general secretary of the amalgamated society of railway servants, kindled his hearers to fierce enthusiasm, with an out and out anti-compulsion speech appealing to the trade unions "not to sell their heritage of freedom."

A speech by Arthur Henderson, president of the board of education, came as a sedative to the passionate feelings aroused by the earlier speakers. He spoke calmly and logically, defending not merely the resolution before the meeting, which held that labor members in the house of commons should be left free to vote as they saw fit, but also the compulsion bill itself. But his effort was insufficient to turn the tide of opposition and it was a foregone conclusion when the vote finally was reached that the resolution would fail.

With the exception of the miners' federation, which refused to take part owing to internal differences with the joint board, virtually every trade union

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THE DAY IN CONGRESS

Senate:

Met at noon.

Adopted a resolution asking the War Department if it is not possible to abolish or consolidate some army posts.

Senator McCumber asked for investigation of charges that an illegal combination is about to advance prices of binder twine.

Adopted resolution asking the President to designate a Jewish relief day.

Adjourned at 4:45 P. M. to noon Friday.

House:

Met at noon.

Secretary Garrison outlined the army increase to the military committee.

Representative Pensley asked for an investigation of propaganda for and against preparedness.

Navy committee continued hearings on the naval bill.

Adjourned at 4:50 P. M. to noon Friday.

BRITISH CONSCRIPTION BILL PASSES THE FIRST READING

Scenes of Wild Enthusiasm in House of Commons as Measure is Given Decisive Vote of 403 to 105—Lord Balfour Turns Tide of Adversity Among Members.

London, Jan. 6.—Amid scenes of wild enthusiasm, the House of Commons tonight passed the first reading of the government bill for compulsory military service, by the decisive vote of 403 to 105. The vote came shortly before midnight, with the galleries again packed, every seat on the floor of the house occupied, the ministerial benches filled, and an air of eager expectancy prevailing.

The events of the day had increased the tension to a high pitch, notably the action of the labor congress and the quick sequel of the retirement of three labor members of the ministry.

Throughout these developments outside of Parliament the debate in the house had forged steadily ahead. It was reserved for A. J. Balfour, first lord of the admiralty, to close the debate in behalf of the government, and turn the tide of adversity which had been running steadily against the measure through the debate and the outside events of the day.

"Let this vote tonight show that we are a united people," has his closing appeal. "Do not let us give a false impression to the world that in the moment of the country's gravest emergency we are divided one against another. Abandon your abstract theories, and remember we are dealing with stern realities which call for great sacrifices."

Then came the votes and the announcement of the figures was received with a tremendous outburst of cheering.

Amid the demonstration Premier Asquith, his face usually pale, now glowing with satisfaction, walked down the floor of the house to present the bill formally to the chamber. His appearance was the signal for a rapturous ovation, members of all sides standing and cheering, while the galleries could with difficulty be restrained from joining in.

Analysis of the vote showed that the government had held the great bulk of Liberal and Conservative votes. The Nationalists voted against the bill, but the Irish Unionists supported the measure and the O'Brienites took no part in the division.

The minority showed a sprinkling of Liberal members, the most notable being John Burns, the former cabinet member. A number of Labor members also voted with the opposition.

SEES NO REASON FOR FEAR OF "DUMPING" AFTER WAR.

Daniels Describes Those Who Predict Such as Pessimistic Prophets.

New York, Jan. 6.—Persons who predict destruction of American industry through the "dumping" of cheap foreign-made goods after the European war were described as pessimistic prophets of evil by Secretary Daniels of the Navy, in a speech here tonight at the annual banquet of the Society of Automobile Engineers. "I would be ashamed," he said, "to believe that with a large portion of the European workers killed in battle and more maimed and crippled, American able-bodied men trembled for fear they would be ruined by such competition when the war ends. And I would be more ashamed if I did not believe that the American government could be depended upon in any such remote emergency to preserve American commerce from any unfair practices of other nations following the war without the necessity of returning to a tariff enacted for the fat fryers."

Philadelphia, Jan. 6.—The battleships South Carolina, Kansas and Michigan left here today for the Guantanamo station to relieve the Kearsarge and Kentucky. The three ships will call at Hampton Roads on their way south.

NATIONAL GUARD WANTS NO CONTINENTAL ARMY

North Carolina Convention at Greensboro Adjourns

Feature of Yesterday's Session Address by Adjutant General Young. Ride About City Followed by Dance Last Night.

Greensboro, N. C., Jan. 6.—Expressing the belief that the "fundamental principles of this country have never countenanced and never will countenance the establishment of a vast and pretentious professional soldiery but that the reliance for safety and protection will continue to be as in the past upon its citizen soldiery army can be better, more effectively and more economically carried out through the now existing military establishment than by any new, theoretical and untried experiment," the North Carolina National Guard Association in annual session here today adopted resolutions looking to the development of the National Guard as an unconditional Federal force for immediate employment in the event of actual or impending war.

The recommendations are made for presentation to Congress as a suggestion for legislation, and the first is that there should be a substantial and reasonable increase in the regular establishment.

The convention of the North Carolina National Guard Association adjourned today after a two days' session here, which was attended by nearly 100 officers of the State's local military companies and several officers of the regular army. Today's session was featured by an address by General Lawrence W. Young, adjutant general of North Carolina.

At noon the visitors were carried for an automobile ride over the city, and this evening a dance was given in Neece's hall complimentary to the visitors. More than 200 people attended the dance.

The meeting of the association was about a month earlier than usual on account of the desire to get in shape information to be presented to Congress, urging increased appropriations for the army and especially for the National Guard. There is a general understanding between the units of each State, as to what is wanted, this having been agreed upon at the meeting of the National association last summer.

One of the things that is not desired is a Continental army. It is argued that such an organization would practically kill the National Guard. It is further urged that a more efficient force than the present guard could not be organized. Many trained men, now in the Natoinal guard, would not join a standing army. Those who would join a continental army would be the less capable, or men who could not make scarcely more than the soldier's pay at home.

Would Mean Property Loss!

There are now enlisted in the National guard of the United States about 125,000 men, all fairly well trained and equipped. More than $12,000,000 is invested in equipment, or about $100 for each member. It is felt that much of this would be lost if the continental army were created. So the National guard is fighting for its very existence. The association is asking that what it has be not taken from it, but that appropriations be made to make it more efficient.

General Young today spoke on State plans as they will be presented to Congress and his remarks were received with great enthusiasm. He knew his subject thoroughly and presented it in a very forceful way.

The North Carolina National Guard Association opened a two days' session in the Elks' club building yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock, with a large attendance of uniformed officers and members of the association, and several officers of the United States army. The addresses of welcome were by Col. James T. Morehead, a Civil War veteran and one of the best known attorneys of the State, on behalf of the city, and by Capt. Frank L. Page, of the association. There were responses, followed by a business session.

In the afternoon there were addresses by Maj. Henry T. Hunt, U. S. A.; Capt. Alexander Greig, U. S. A.; Capt. Bernard Sharp, U. S. A.; and Adjutant General Lawrence W. Young, of North Carolina. Others also spoke briefly.

Last night a smoker was given at the Merchants and Manufacturers' Club complimentary to the visitors, which was largely attended.

Kinston, N. C., Jan. 6.—Next week will be "Pay-Up Week" in Kinston. The chamber of commerce is backing the idea, and will conduct an advertising campaign during the remainder of this week and all of next. Many cities and towns in the country have had "pay-up weeks" in the past year or two, and in nearly all instances the movements have been surprisingly successful.

Wilson, N. C., Jan. 6.—Atlantic Christian College reports a successful opening for the second session and pupils are coming in every day. The president, Rev. J. C. Caldwell is gratified with the prospect.

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ASKED TO APPOINT ALLEN

Senators Simmons and Overman Present North Carolina Jurist's Name to Wilson.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, Jan. 6.—Senators Simmons and Overman today asked President Wilson to appoint Judge William R. Allen, of Goldsboro, to the vacancy on the Supreme Court bench to succeed Justice Lamar, of Georgia. All of the representatives in Congress from North Carolina, with the exception of Congressman Doughton, had already signed a petition to the President urging the Goldsboro man's appointment.

Mr. Doughton did not sign the petition because he is for Judge Long, of Statesville, as long as there is a chance for any one, and there is about as much chance for Judge Long as any one else from North Carolina. There is small probability that any one from North Carolina will be selected.

President Wilson, however, told the two senators that he would give the matter careful consideration. Mr. Wilson does not want to appoint any one who has reached the age of 60 years. But should there be exceptional qualifications in a man who had reached this age, it is believed that the age limit would be set aside.

Will Probably Name Taft.

There is a strong probability that former President Taft will be offered the place. Many Democrats would like to see Mr. Taft named, not only because of his exceptional fitness for the place but also because it would be wood politics for a Democratic administration to name a man of Taft's type to such a high position. Taft selected Judge Connor, of Wilson, for the Federal bench when he was president. Judge Connor is a Democrat and Mr. Taft knew it when he appointed him. He also appointed Justice Lamar to the place which may now be offered to the former President.

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GO TO CHICAGO JANUARY 24

Republican Committee Will Meet to Arrange for National Convention.

New York, Jan. 6.—Charles D. Hilles, chairman of the Republican National Committee, announced today that the committee on arrangements for the National Convention at Chicago, will meet in that city on Monday, January 24. The members of the committee are: Fred W. Estabrook, New Hampshire; James P. Goodrich, Indiana; Ralph Williams, Oregon; Franklin Murphy, New Jersey; Alvah H. Martin, Virginia; Thomas K. Niedringhaus, Missouri; Charles B. Warren, Michigan; John T. Adams, Iowa; Fred Stanley, Kansas; E. C. Duncan, North Carolina; George R. Sheldon, New York, and Mr. Hilles.

TOWN LIGHTED UP.

Stantonsburg Now Using Electric Lighting System.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wilson, N. C., Jan. 6.—Wednesday night was the "big night" at Stantonsburg, a live town, ten miles from Wilson, on the Norfolk Southern, and the residents of the town enjoyed their first night with electric light, both in residences and on the streets. The town is well lighted with 25 arc lights and over 500 incandescents. It is a municipal plant and a bond issue provided the money for construction. The people are discussing the building of a water and sewerage system.

WILL CLOSE LIBRARY

Richmond Institution Was Founded by Thomas Nelson Page.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 6.—Rosemary Library, founded by Ambassador Nelson Page in memory of his first wife, who was of the Bruces of "Stanton Hill," is to be closed January 31. Its six thousand volumes which have been offered to the city, probably will be transferred to John Marshall High School.

The library was long a rendezvous of west-end society, but the rapid spread of the city has left it isolated among shops and boarding houses without patronage sufficient for its maintenance.

WILMINGTON COUPLE MARRIED

Mr. Emanuel Roderick and Miss Laura Woebse Wed in Petersburg.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Petersburg, Va., Jan. 6.—A very pretty marriage was solemnized this morning at the parsonage of Washington Street M. E. church, the contracting parties being Mr. Emanuel Roderick and Miss Laura Catherine Woebse. The ceremony was performed by the Pastor, Rev. Dr. Wilkinson. The bride and groom are both from Wilmington, N. C. The couple will reside in Petersburg.

CHINESE SEAMEN REMOVED

Thirty-five Unable to Comply With Efficiency Test of Seaman's Act.

San Francisco, Jan. 6.—Thirty-five Chinese seamen, who did not meet the provisions of the Seaman's Act because they were not proficient in English, were ordered ashore from the steamer China here today, and 12 Filipinos were hurriedly recruited to take their places. The China was able to leave port on schedule.

CIGARETTES FOR BRITISH

Twelve Car Loads Will Be Shipped From Savannah for Men at Front.

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 6.—Twelve carloads of cigarettes are here awaiting shipment to England for British soldiers at the front. They were shipped from Richmond, Va., and will be sent to Liverpool on the British steamship E. O. Saltmarsh which will sail in a few days.

EPIDEMIC OF LA GRIPPE.

Keeping Wilson Physicians and Druggists Very Busy.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wilson, N. C., Jan. 6.—An epidemic of la grippe is keeping the Wilson physicians busy day and night. In some instances pneumonia has developed but usually in a mild form. The druggists report the heaviest prescription business in the history of the town.

$50,000 HOSIERY ORDER

Fifty Thousand Dozen Pairs Will Go to Amsterdam, Holland.

Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 6.—A hosiery manufacturer of Tuscaloosa, Ala., announces the receipt of an order for fiftythousand dozen pairs of hose to be shipped to Amsterdam, Holland. The order will be in excess of $50,000.

Let Them Get Off Face of the Earth

JUDGE CLAYTON'S INVITATION TO "HYPHENATED CITIZENS" WHO PUT THEIR NATIVS COUNTRY BEFORE AMERICA.

New York, Jan. 6.—An invitation to "hyphenated citizens" who put the interests of the native country before those of America to "get off the face of the earth," was issued here today by United States Judge Henry D. Clayton, of Alabama. Judge Clayton's remarks were made in addressing the grand jury that was empanelled to resume the investigation into the activities of German agents in this country.

"You gentlemen," he said, "are entering upon your duties as American citizens. If any of you have had the misfortune to be born in a foreign country I hope that you can truthfully say now that you love America more than the land of your birth. If any citizen has come here from another country to evade military service let him not criticise our institutions here. If he desires to do so let him get off the face of the earth or go back and fight for the country from whence he came."

The grand jury will continue the inquiry into munitions plants, factories and ship yards which has already resulted in the indictment of Congressman Frank Buchanan, of Illinois, and seven others.

RUSSIANS PILE UP MORE GAINS OVER AUSTRIAN FORCES

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government will offer the Serbian army some suitable locality in the Mediterranean where the men may rest and recuperate."

Relieving Serbian Distress.

In reply Lord Robert Cecil, under secretary for foreign affairs, said that there was a considerable body of Serbians at Scutari where at first the men had been in great distress. But the situation, he added, had now been largely relieved. The Entente Allies, the secretary said, had considred the matter raised in the latter part of the question but he was unwilling to make any announcement concerning it.

Telegrams from Athens say that the number of Serbian refugees in Greek territory is now 40,000 of whom 6,000 are at Saloniki.

ITALY'S WAR EXPENSE.

Recent Statistics Show Cost So Far Is More Than $561,000,000.

Rome, Jan. 5. (Delayed)—The sum of $441,500,000 is, according to statistics just made public, the expense sustained by Italy for her army and navy from June 1 to November 30. Adding $120,000,000 spent in May and December, the total cost of war to Italy is more than $561,000,000, without including the expenses of the military preparations before the opening of hostilities. The expenses have been covered by war loans and new taxes.

PRESIDENT OUTLINES GOVERNMENT'S POLICY OF PAN-AMERICANISM

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spring up in the meaning of thoughtful men and I for my part believe that they are going to lead the way to something that America has prayed for for many a generation. For they are based, in the first place, so far as the strong states are concerned, upon the handsome principal of self-restraint and respect for the rights of everybody. They are based upon principles of absolute political equality among the states, not equality of indulgence. They are based, in short, upon solid etheral foundations of justice and humanity.

"No man turn away from these these things without turning away from the hope of the world. These are things, ladies and gentlemen, for which the world has hoped and waited with prayerful heart. God grant that it may be granted to America to lift this light on high for the illumination of the world."

Meet Next at Lima, Peru.

Lima, Peru, was selected today for the next session of the Pan-American Scientific Congress, which meets in 1921, the centennial of Peru's declaration of independence. The choice made by the legislative committee was on suggestion of the delegation from Chile, whose chairman, Ambassador Saurez, Majico, is president of the congress. There was virtually no opposition.

Delegates generally regarded the selection of Peru, and the manner by which it came about as an evidence by the universal desire of closer relations among the American republics, brought sharply to the fore during the two weeks' session of the Congress here. For many years a disagreement over boundaries has kept Peru and Chile in a relationship more or less strained.

The first session of the congress and the only one prior to the meeting now in progress here, was held in Santiago, Chile, in 1908.

The work of the second congress virtually has been completed. Most of the sections held only short meetings today, many of the delegates and their families joining in an excursion to Mount Vernon.

Sessions tomorrow will be brief and Saturday, the closing day, various resolutions and suggestions evolved in sectional meetings will be taken up at a joint meeting.

One resolution to be considered, adopted today by the section on transportation and commerce, recommends that definite steps be taken toward uniform customs regulations at all Pan-American ports. The section failed to endorse a resolution for uniform monetary systems, but will pass it on to the joint meeting without recommendation.

WILSON IS ENDORSED.

Democrats of Florida Pledge Support for His Re-election.

Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 6.—The state Democratic executive committee in session here today, endorsed President Wilson and his policies, pledged the state of Florida for his re-election and announced delegates to the National convention would be elected in the primaries of June 6th.

A number of committeemen today advocated the selection of delegates by a committee because the date set for the Florida primary is only eight days prior to the National convention. They said there would be difficulty in canvassing the returns in so short a time. The committee adjourned late today.

GODWIN CONFIDENT OF BIGGEST MAJORITY YET

Expects to Carry Every County in Sixth District.

No Doubt of Receiving 90 to 95 Per Cent of Democratic Vote in Harnett—Running on Record; Not From It.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 6.—Representative Godwin was in his seat on the floor of the House today, after being absent on account of illness in his family. He reports the condition of his family much improved. Mr. Godwin is engaged with many important matters for his district and does not appear to be worried at the opposition of those who have entered the field against him.

He believes his chances are now better than in any previous contest, and that he will win by an increased majority. Asked about the political situation in his district, he said:

"I am confident of being re-nominated in the primary by a larger majority than ever before. I am receiving many encouraging letters from conservative friends of wide information and experience who have made thorough investigations in their various counties and I am satisfied I will carry every county in the district. I will win in the counties having local candidates by safe majorities, and in the counties having no local candidates I will win by overwhelming majorities.

"There is not the slightest doubt about Harnett, my native county, giving me from 90 to 95 per cent of her full Democratic vote. If there is anybody anywhere who doubts this statement I invite them to visit Harnett county and be convinced by the information they will receive at first hand.

No Time to Campaign.

"I am much engaged at this time with work incident to the discharge of the duties of my office in which the people of the Sixth district have a vital interest and I shall not throw my time away seeking a re-nomination. At the proper time, however, I will announce my candidacy and leave my interest in the hands of my friends.

"I shall base my claims for re-nomination upon my record of public service for the best interests of the district and will run on my record and not from it."

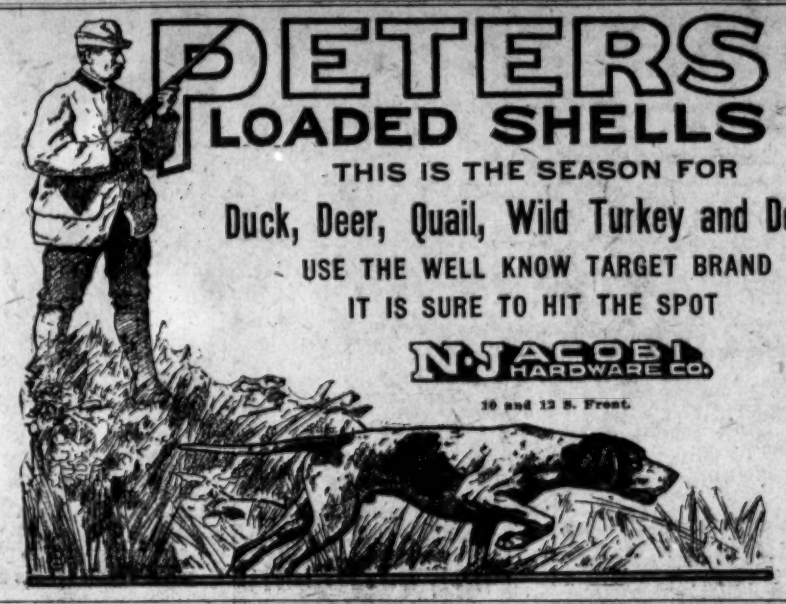
P. R. A.

DEMANDS SUPERINTENDENT RILEY TO RESIGN AT ONCE.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 6.—Interest in the administration of the state department of prisons, which subsided a week ago when Thomas Mott Osborne relinquished the wardenship of Sing Sing, was revived today by Governor Whitman's demand that John B. Riley, state superintendent of prisons, offer his resignation immediately.

In a letter received by Superintendent Riley tonight the governor alleged that the prison executive had attempted to hamper the work of Osborne's successor, Prof. George W. Kirchway, in ordering the transfer from Sing Sing to Dannemera prison of several members of the Mutual Welfare League, the Sing Sing self-governing body organized by Warden Osborne. This action, Governor Whitman declared, was taken without conference with either Warden Kirchwey or the governor. "And its effect, if carried out," he wrote, "must be to break down and render the new warden's work intolerable."

It was said tonight that William Orr, the governor's secretary, probably would be named as Riley's successor till such time as the governor could appoint a permanent superintendent.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THREE LABOR MINISTERS IN BRITISH CABINET RESIGN

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of importance in the country was represented in the congress. The number of societies voting is given from one source as 409, made up as follows; Trade unions 311; trade councils and local labor parties 83; independent labor party organizations, 15.

Col. John Ward, M. P., who calls himself an "independent laborite," and is one of the picturesque figures of the house of commons, declared tonight that the decision of the labor congress could not be regarded as actually representing the will of labor men of the country.

"For," said he, "you must consider the fact that certain from one half to one-third of the members of the trade originations which met in congress are either in the trenches or preparing to take their places there. I, for one, in common with many other thinking labor men, will support this compulsion bill."

CHARLES W. KNAPP, TREASURER NEW YORK TIMES, IS DEAD

Expires Suddenly of Heart Failure —Moved to St. Louis Jan. 1.

New York, Jan. 6.—Charles W. Knapp, treasurer of the New York Times and formerly editor and publisher of the St. Louis Republic, died suddenly of heart disease today in the office of The Times. Mr. Knapp, who was 69 years of age, was one of the organisers and incorporators of The Associated Press and the Newspaper Publishers Association. He was a member of the board of directors of The Associated Press at the time of his death.

Mr. Knapp came to New York from St. Louis on January 1, 1916, succeeding Samuel Strauss as treasurer of the New York Times.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 6.—Charles W. Knapp has been actively connected with the St. Louis Republic for 52 years. His father, John Knapp, and his uncle, George Knapp, owned the paper when he entered its service and he succeeded them in the ownership of the property.

Mr. Knapp was born in St. Louis and entered the service of the Missouri Republican in 1867. He was one of the executive committe of nine that had actual direction of the Louisiana Purchase exposition of 1904.

Captain John J. Knapp, a brother of Charles W. Knapp, died December 28, while commandant of the Philadelphia Navy Yard.

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WESLEY BIBLE CLASS MEETING

Some Points of Misunderstanding Cleared Up by Mr. Yarbrough.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Duke, N. C., Jan. 6.—Mr. E. S. Yarbrough, one of the leaders in charge of the preparations for the Wesley Bible Class Federation to be held at Fayetteville, January 19-20, said today that in many respects this particular meeting was attracting more attention throughout Southern Methodism than any gathering which had been undertaken in any other conference. This is due to the fact that these classes have had much to contend with in making themselves clearly understood.

"Some have misjudged their purpose," he said, "not knowing their true aim. Some of the interdenominational movements have considered it an attack upon them. But the leaders of the Methodist organization have let it be clearly understood that they have no desire to hamper or interfere with any other organization which is doing good. The fact is that many of the Wesley Bible classes throughout Southern Methodism have also affiliated with other organizations.

"However, the meeting at Fayetteville is primarily for the classes of the North Carolina Conference, and while others will be welcomed at any of the sessions it is being distinctly stated that the 400 Wesley Bible classes are to meet for the purpose of forming themselves into a compact organization known as the Wesley Bible Class Federation. More than 300 delegates are expected to be present to hear such speakers as Bishop Kilgo, Rev. Chas. D. Bulla, Mr. J. M. Way and Miss Elizabeth Kilpatrick.

"Hotels, boarding houses and private homes will grant low rates for lodging, and the railroads have announced reduced rates on the certificate plan."

Entertainment at Masonboro.

There will be an entertainment at Masonboro school house tonight beginning at 8 o'clock. A play entitled "Hearts and Diamonds" will be the main feature. It was previously announced that the entertainment would be given tomorrow night but this was a mistake. The public is invited.

Shepherd-Tindall Marriage.

Mr. Zedec L. Shepherd and Miss Lulu Tindall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Tindall, were married Tuesday night at the parsonage of Calvary Baptist church, the ceremony being performed by Rev. J. A. Sullivan. Mr. Shepherd is a trucker and lives on the Castle Haynes road.

Pinehurst, N. C., Jan. 6.—Philip Carter, of New York, defeated J. H. Clapp, Washington, five up and four to play, in the second day's match play of the mid-winter golf tournament here today. Carter will play S. Y. Ramage, of Wanango, tomorrow in the semi-finals and E. T. Manson, of Framingham, will play W. A. Patterson, of Mt. Vernon.

An Easy Way To Get Fat And Be Strong

The trouble with most thin folks who wish to gain weight is that they insist on drugging their stomach or stuffing it with greasy foods; rubbing on useless "flesh creams," or following some foolish physical culture stunt, while the real cause of thinness goes untouched. You cannot get fat until your digestive tract assimilates the food you eat.

There is a preparation known to reliable druggists almost everywhere which seemingly embodies the missing elements needed by the digestive organs to help them convert food into rich, fat-laden blood. This modern treatment is called Sargol and has been termed the greatest of flesh-builders. Sargol aims through regenerative, reconstructive powers to coax the stomach and intestines to literally soak up the fattening elements of your food and pass them into the blood, where they are carried to the starved, broken down cells and tissues of your body. You can readily picture what result this amazing transformation should produce as with increased weight the cheeks fill out, hollows about neck, shoulders and bust disappear and from 10 to 20 pounds of solid, healthy flesh is added to the body. Sargol is absolutely harmless, inexpensive, efficient. All leading druggists of this vicinity have it and will refund your money if you are not satisfied, as per the guarantee found in every package.

NOTE:—Sargol is recommended only as a flesh builder and while excellent results in cases of nervous indigestion, etc., have been reported care should be taken about using it unless a gain of weight is desired.

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Report of the Condition of
THE PEOPLE'S SAVINGS BANK,
at Wilmington, North Carolina, at the Close of Business, December 31st, 1915.

Resources:	
Loans and Discounts	$1,168,467.24
Stocks and Bonds	14,000.00
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures	48,000.00
Invested Trust Funds	40,147.00
Demand Loans	105,964.98
Cash on Hand and Due from banks	94,512.39
Total	$1,471,031.61
Liabilities:	
Capital Stock	$ 65,000.00
Undivided Profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	105,759.20
Dividends Unpaid	1,950.00
Accrued Interest Due Depositors	11,000.00
Cashier's Checks Outstanding	1,921.03
Deposits	1,285,271.38
Total	$1,471,031.61

State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover:

I, J. Holmes Davis, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. HOLMES DAVIS, Cashier.

Correct—Attest:
F. W. DICK,
WALKER TAYLOR,
H. C. McQUEEN,
Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of January, 1916.
J. V. GRAINGER, Notary Public.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Supervising Architect's Office, Washington, D. C., Dec. 28, 1915.—Sealed proposals will be opened in this office at 3 p. m., Jan. 3d, 1916, for a conduit and wiring system, lighting fixtures, etc., at the United States post office, at Wilwington, N. C., in accordance with drawings and specification, copies of which may be had at this office or at the office of the custodian, Wilmington, N. C., in the discretion of the Supervising Architect. Jas. A. Wetmore, Acting Supervising Architect. N. B.—Bidders are required to return the drawings and specifications without marks, notes, or other mutilations. The Government frank sent to intending bidders is to be used for the return of drawings and specifications and for no other purpose.
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NOTICE.

The next regular meeting of the North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners will be held at Salisbury, N. C., beginning promptly at 9:00 o'clock on Thursday morning, January 13th, 1916. For further information and application blanks, address the secretary.

F. L. HUNT, Sec'y,
Asheville, N. C.

"GO FIGHT," SHE SAID, BUT HE TOOK POISON.

Miss Muriel Wheeler.

Edward Elforth, a young Frenchman, who is a bank clark in New York, saw Miss Muriel Wheeler at her home and begged her to wed him. He was a reservist in the French army, and he had told her a day or two before he had received a call to report again for duty in the French army. He did not want to go back; he wanted to get married.

"I will marry no man who fails to answer the call of his country," said she. Thereupon he took out a bottle of poison and swallowed it. Doctors worked hard to save his life.

THEATRICAL

The Royal is due to be packed from early till late today, for the presentation of that great World feature, "The Heart of the Blue Ridge," starring Clara Kimball Young, the greatest and most beautiful screen artiste in the world, in the leading role.

The story that is told is, of course, a thrilling and interesting one, being filmed from the celebrated play and novel of the same name by Waldron Bailey, and the presence of such a notable star as Clara Kimball Young, who only appears in four photoplay features in a year, is enough to bring large crowds. This is her second appearance on the Royal screen.

But the supreme outstanding attraction of "The Heart of the Blue Ridge" is the fact that this entire feature was filmed in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Western North Carolina, in the vicinity of Blowing Rock, and the entire production abounds in the most beautiful mountain scenery, waterfalls, etc., much of which will look familiar to Wilmingtonians who have visited this part of the State.

CLARA KIMBALL YOUNG.

Starring in "The Heart of the Blue Ridge," Filmed in Western North Carolina—Royal Today.

"The Heart of the Blue Ridge" introduces us to Miss Young as an unsophisticated mountain lass, who has for her main companion her pet bear. She has two lovers, and there begins the story of their efforts to obtain her heart and hand. It is a feature that should not be missed.

Harry Stewart Musical Comedy Co.

At the Academy of Music on next Monday and Tuesday, the Harry Stewart Musical Comedy Company will appear. The opening play will be a two-act musical comedy entitled, "A Call for Volunteers," and the second night, the company will appear in the two-act screamingly funny musical comedy, entitled, "A Day at the Circus." This is the first time these plays have ever been shown at popular prices.

The company carries 20 people and is said to be the best popular priced company on the road today. The opening bill, "A Call for Volunteers," abounds in hearty, spontaneous laughter. From the opening chorus there follows about ten minutes of action devoted to what is technically known as "planting the plot" of the story. From this forward, the story moves at a rapid pace, from one situation to its succeeding sequence with all the ingenious developments to be found only in a genuine American musical play. Each upcome is a natural and even logical result of what has gone before and the scenes thus worked out make for a strain of laughter that is one of the most impelling features of a thoroughly captivating performance. It is a general law of comedy, that clever lines get chuckles, but only an adroitly contrived situation will bring out a burst of laughter. The prices will be 25 cents, 35 cents and 50 cents. General admission 25 cents. Tickets will go on sale at Plummer's this morning.

MISS BILLIE FAY.

With Harry Musical Comedy Company, Academy of Music Next Monday and Tuesday.

At the Grand Today.

Many admirers of the novel will be pleased to learn that Biograph has picturized "The Reproach of Annesley," written by Maxwell Grey, and the result is one of the most stirring three-reel dramatic features of the year, which occupies top position at the Grand today.

"The Reproach of Annesley" contains many points which make it worthy of strong commendation. It is an unusually strong story skilfully presented by an all-star cast of Biograph players including Louise Vale, Franklin Ritchie, Herbert Barrington and Jack Drumier. It is finely produced and extremely interesting in the development of the plot arising from the love of three men for one woman.

"Cartoons in a Sanitarium," is a great Edison cartoon reel, one of the biggest of the year, doing with the actions of the "Animated Grouch Chaser" in a sanitarium. It is a continual scream from beginning to end.

Tomorrow a big double feature bill, Charlie Chaplin in "Those Love Pangs," and the first two-reel episode of the great Kalem "Stingaree" series, entitled "An Enemy to Mankind."

"The College Orphan"—Bijou.

Comic opera and vaudeville lost two of their greatest stars when Carter and Flora Parker DeHaven decided to go into the movies. But the screen gains, and at the Bijou today there is to be presented their first great feature, a six-act filmization of "The College Orphan," a wonderful comedy drama romance of college life in six reels.

Carter DeHaven and his pretty wife have been known on the legitimate stage ever since they were children—they are still in their 20's—and "The College Orphan" has been proclaimed their very greatest work. It is a story with a universal appeal, a picture for young people of all ages; full of the exuberance of youth, lively, exciting and thrilling at times, with some genuine touches of original comedy. George M. Cohan has said that Carter DeHaven is America's greatest mimic and dancer on the stage, and the work he has accomplished in "The College Orphan" bids fair to place him on a still higher pedestal.

"The College Orphan" will be the biggest photoplay feature you've ever had the opportunity of viewing for five cents, so don't miss it at the Bijou today.

"The Choice of Courage."

Rev. Cyrus Townsend Brady, the author of "The Island of Regeneration," which made such a distinct hit at the Royal several Saturdays ago, has again had one of his greatest works filmed, "The Chalice of Courage," a stirring six-act dramatic human interest story of many thrills and unprecedented interest being the result, and which is to appear on the Royal screen tomorrow as an extraordinary Saturday offering.

"The Chalice of Courage" bespeaks the care and attention to every detail, when the various scenes in all their natural and rugged beauty and wealth of local color pass in an entrancing array of nature paintings as the story unfolds. Not alone is Cyrus Townsend Brady's story one of special appeal, but one whose scenic background is beyond compare.

"The Chalice of Courage" will draw record crowds tomorrow, so arrangements should be made to attend early in the afternoon or evening. Starring in this great masterpiece, which was filmed under the direction of J. Stuart Blackton, creator of "The Battle Cry of Peace", is beautiful and talented Myrtle Gonzalez, with William Duncan, Otto Lederer, Anne Schaefer and a notable Vitagraph supporting cast.

EAT LESS MEAT IF BACK HURTS

Take a Glass of Salts to Flush Kidneys if Bladder Bothers You—Drink Lots of Water.

Eating meat regularly eventually produces kidney trouble in some form or other, says a well-known authority, because the uric acid in meat excites the kidneys, they become overworked; get sluggish; clog up and cause all sorts of distress, particularly backache and misery in the kidney region; rheumatic twinges, severe headaches, acid stomach, constipation, torpid liver, sleeplessness, bladder and urinary irritation.

The moment your back hurts or kidneys aren't acting right, or if bladder bothers you, get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good pharmacy; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to normal activity; also to neutralize the acids in the urine so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder disorders.

Jad Salts cannot injure anyone; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which millions of men and women take now and then to keep the kidneys and urinary organs clean, thus avoiding serious kidney disease.

WAKE FOREST RE-OPENS

Spring Enrollment 350—Faculty Members Away for Holidays.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wake Forest, Jan. 5.—Wake Forest College re-opened yesterday after a holiday of 16 days for the spring term. The entire day was devoted to registration purposes, and active class work started today. Three hundred and fifty had registered this morning, and there are yet more to come. The past fall term ended with an enrollment equal to that of the entire 1914-15 term, and the present term will even pass the record of last fall.

Quite a number of the members of the faculty spent the holidays, or part of them, away from the hill. Dr. H. M. Poteat and Prof. H. A. Jones went to New York. Professor Roger H. McCutcheon returned yesterday from his home in Franklin, Va. Professor J. L. Lake spent the holidays with his people in Upperville, Va. Instructor Dotson has returned from South Carolina, where he was married Christmas, bringing his wife back to Wake Forest. Dr. J. W. Nowell and Professor C. D. Jones were in Raleigh the greater part of the holidays. Dr. H. E. Flack, with his wife and child, went to Rutherfordton and Spartanburg, S. C.

Dr. William B. Royall, professor of Greek language and literature, completed the fiftieth year of his career as a teacher last fall at Wake Forest, and he is now entering upon his fifty-first year as a teacher. He is being congratulated upon such a record by his friends.

Dr. Benjamin F. Sledd's fifty-page report to the Kahn Foundation has just been issued in handsome style. It deals particularly with his observations on the teaching of English in European institutions.

REQUEST EARLY HEARING

Of Government Appeal From Decision in Cotton Futures Law.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 6.—New York cotton brokers, at whose instance the New York federal court declared unconstitutional the cotton futures act, asked the secretary to advance for early hearing the government's appeal from the decision.

Solicitor General Davis, on behalf of the government, offered a verbal objection. The court will probably act on the request next Monday.

It is understood the government's objection was based on the intention of congressional leaders to enact the Lever bill, just introduced in the House to correct the defect in the legislation which was declared unconstitutional. The defect is that as a revenue measure the act originated in the Senate instead of the House.

Wilson, N. C., Jan. 6.—Building contractors are confident of a marked increase in building activity. Plans are being drawn for two residences on Green street between Goldsboro and Tarboro streets. One will be built by Mr. E. L. Dawson and the other is for Mr. H. S. Sheppard.

$6,550,000 FOR LINTERS

Receipts Last Year for Texas Crop —New Market Created.

Houston, Texas, Jan. 6.—Receipts from cotton linters produced in Texas during the last year have been $6,550,000, according to figures made public here today by railroads handling a large percentage of the Texas crop. An entirely new market has been created for hull fibre due to the demands for material needed in the manufacture of high explosives used in the European war.

Market statistics show that a year ago the price of linters advanced from 1 1-2 to 6 1-2 cents a pound and the last three months has seen increasing demands for hullfibre at three cents a pound.

WILSON COUNTY GOES FORWARD

Commissioners Provide for Medical Survey of Schools.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wilson, N. C., Jan. 6.—The county board of commissioners will provide the necessary funds for the medical survey of the school children of Wilson county. The State Board of Health presented the matter to the commissioners and later committees of the Woman's Club met with the commissioners and urged the appropriation. The Woman's Club is also making an earnest effort to secure an all-time health officer but have not been able to convince the commissioners of the need.

Wilson, N. C., Jan. 6.—December was a record-breaking month for the Wilson postoffice with stamp sales showing an increase over December, 1914, of $500.25. The amount of mail matter including parcel post packages handled was almost 30 per cent. greater than the same month last year.

Wilson, N. C., Jan. 6.—Rufus Davis, a merchant of Simms, a village west of Wilson, was found dead in bed Tuesday morning. Death followed a prolonged spree. For several days Davis locked himself in the store and would not permit anyone to enter. He was a man of considerable means.

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TO WREST HEAVY COTTON TRADE FROM THE JAPANESE

Chinese Manufacturers Are to Have Aid of the Government.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Chinese cotton manufacturers, with government aid, have made far-reaching plans to wrest from the Japanese their heavy trade in cotton goods and yarns in China, according to information reaching official circles here. China, the largest market for cotton goods in the world, long has been supplied chiefly by Japan and India.

The Chinese government has just subscribed 40 per cent of the capital to be invested in two cotton mills, at Shanghai and Tientsin, $700,000 worth of machinery for which has been ordered from American manufacturers through an agent of the foreign and domestic commerce bureau of the Department of Commerce. American superintendents will direct the work of the plant.

London, Jan. 6.—Col. E. M. House, President Wilson's personal representative, the only alien passenger on the steamer Rotterdam, was permitted to land immediately on the vessel's dock at Falmouth and arrived in London in time to take breakfast with Walter Hines Page, the American ambassador, today. Colonel House declined to say more about his mission than to reiterate his announcement that he was looking over the war situation in Europe.

He will spend two weeks in London, departing thence for Paris where he will remain a few days. On his return here he may go to Berlin but this has not yet been arranged.

Colonel House assured Ambassador Page there was no basis for London papers to think he was in Europe to regulate the various American embassies. He characterized as ridiculous reports that he had been told by the President to instruct Ambassador Page to the effect that his duties at the London embassy do not extend beyond the bounds of Great Britain or that he had been instructed to settle any alleged dispute between Ambassador Page and Ambassador Gerard.

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TOP O' THE MORNING

But each day brings its petty dust
Our soon-chok'd souls to fill,
And we forget because we must,
And not because we will.
—MATTHEW ARNOLD.

During war there is no place like home, be it ever so humble and insignificant.

The Raleigh Times contained an editorial concerning "Baron Astor." Barren as to what?

Mr. Ford realizes that he got a great deal of publicity, even if it was all in the shape of ridicule.

The New York Post says "the Balkan situation is complicated." Absolute credence can be put in such war news as that.

The Columbia State regards it as timely to remark: "Drink to me only with thine eyes." With no eye opener and no wink at all?

The Charleston News and Courier says: "Colonel Roosevelt used to be a free trader." Just at present he seems to be a free tirader.

The birthday of lots of people will be celebrated tomorrow, but it will be celebrated in honor of Old Hickory Jackson. It will be "Jackson Day" with the Democrats.

President Wilson is being urged to appoint former President Taft to the vacancy on the Supreme Court bench caused by the death of Justice Lamar. If the President should do such a thing, he might incur the displeasure of the Hon. Ted Roosevelt.

There is no psychology of a pacific character at this time, so a pacificist is regarded as an absurd individual who can but make himself or herself ridiculous. The state of mind is not here to make the time ripe for peace. Till that time comes we may as well be content with war.

Send all your orders to Wall Street. Don't send any of your orders anywhere else, for Wall Street wants every bit of your business. At one time Wall Street believed that the time was coming when it would not know where it was going to get its next meal. However, times kept right on improving and Wall Street says prosperity is here and that Santa Claus came along and proved it.

It pays for a girl to have a domestic turn of mind and know how to look after the house. In West Virginia a few days ago a fellow married a practical girl and moved into a rented house with his bride. She got busy at once and began to clean the house from the attic to the basement. She began in the attic and discovered thousands of dollars in bank notes for which no owner could be found. The bridegroom already just as happy as he could be, came home and his bride added to his happiness by letting him count the money before she went to the bank and deposited it in her own name. Practical girls surely are.

A poet write, "'Tis beauty calls." Of course, poets embody a high ideal in what they write. There would be no poetic idea in it if the poet had written it, "'Tis beauty squalls." Beauty both calls and squalls, but no poet would pay the slightest attention to the squalls because it is so much more idealistic to regard beauty in its higher sense. Those who have the true afflatus tune only the sweet, mellow strings of their lyres and take lofty flights far above grovelling writers who never get any higher than the ground floor. We often contemplate the striking difference between the mellifluous minded poet and an ordinary scrub politician who sifts everything in the muck heap so he can find something on record that will enable him to heap upon his opponent an inexhaustible amount of withering scorn. We are willing to commend any governor who pardons a poet, if there is a governor who knows a poet, from a pirate.

BLACKGUARDING THE PRESIDENT.

There are several different varieties of treason and it often happens that men who think they are patriots give expression to sentiments that are little less than traitorous. One of the offenders in this particular is thus called down by Commerce and Finance, which is rising to a high rank as one of this country's financial and commercial publications:

"Blackguarding the President has been a habit with a type of misnt Americans from the days of Washington to the present time. George Washington was defamed by many creatures. So was Jefferson, Lincoln, McKinley, Cleveland and all the others. Now comes F. W. Whitridge, president of the Third Avenue Railway Company, who, in a letter to L. L. Forman, secretary of the American Rights Committee, calls President Wilson a poltroon. Mr. Whitridge is a lawyer who has been a prominent member of the New York bar. It probably is hopeless to point out to Mr. Whitridge that common decency demands of a citizen a fair measure of respect for the head of the nation but if that is impossible in his case it is to be hoped he will place himself in the hands of a schoolboy and learn enough about the English language not to split an infinitive."

That serves Lawyer Whitridge right. He ought to know enough about law to realize that Commerce and Finance has brought in a true bill against him. It is an indictment which all fair minded Americans recognize as one against which it is hardly necessary to put in but one plea. The highest type of patriot is one who is for his country, right or wrong, and it is true that although there may be times when a man's country might possibly be wrong it would be traitorous to say so at a critical stage when grave issues are being faced and it is necessary for every man to back it. When President McKinley was dealing with the Cuban question and committing this country to the American policy of intervention as our commander-in-chief, it was not for us to give expression to utterances that would then have been treasonable.

Every few days treasonable communications came to The Star, but we are glad that none of them came from a Southern source. We have one in which the country's dye problem is exploited seemingly for the opportunity to launch an attack upon President Wilson and his administration. Dye is the excuse but Wilson is the subject and the object. This one comes from Washington and it is so thinly veiled that one can easily detect it as part of a propaganda to discredit the Administration for political effect.

Another communication comes to us from another city up North. It pretends to be purely patriotic, but it seems to be part of a propaganda to create war sentiment along with opposition to President Wilson. Its partisanship is too apparent to fool publishers who do not care to give space to the treasonable stuff aimed at their government.

We haven't the slightest confidence in the patriotism of any man who is against his government, whether his commander-in-chief is a Republican or a Democratic President, who is handling international relations of the gravest import for the best interests of the people as a whole.

When President McKinley was deciding as to American intervention in Cuba, we would have felt guilty of treason to have uttered what is being said about President Wilson for not doing this and not doing that while dealing with the Mexican problem and the European war. If there had been intervention in either instance, it is a safe bet that the patriots who are loudest for intervention on paper could have been found at home getting government contracts, if they were not in the tall timber to stay.

The situation is too critical for the American press to give space for the creation of a sentiment and spirit that would create division in the United States were it necessary to take a stand involving this country in war.

HAMLET A GREATER SEABOARD AIR LINE CENTER.

For years it has been quite plain that Hamlet is destined to be a great Seaboard Air Line center. The logic of location has been in Hamlet's favor and the Seaboard Air Line management is more and more realizing the situation of that North Carolina town as its natural trunk line junction point. According to the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot, as quoted in yesterday's Star, it has been decided by the Seaboard to build new railroad shops at Hamlet at a cost of $100,000 to $150,000. We are satisfied that is only a starter and that the new shops there will be the beginning of the Seaboard's main shops. There will be a gradual concentration of the railroad work at Hamlet and the greater the Seaboard Air Line becomes the greater will be the increase in the importance of Hamlet as a railroad center.

The Seaboard also is to spend $50,000 on shops to take the place of the old repair shops at Raleigh, while new shops to cost $100,000 to $150,000 will be built at Howell, Ga., near Atlanta, to handle the work of the southwest divisions of the line. All these improvements are to be made this year, and besides them the new shops at Portsmouth will be completed by the middle of next month. The Seaboard is confidently building for the future and its activity indicates that prospects justify preparations for increased business and railroad progress this year and for the years to come.

In fact, Vice President Seddon states that railroad business is steadily on the increase in the South and that it is evident that busy times are ahead. There is nothing in the outlook to deter the railroads from going ahead with their betterments in South Atlantic territory.

STATESMEN WITH THE LID ON.

On Wednesday the debate in the Senate reached the point where Senator Stone, of the foreign relations committee, decided that it was time to move to go into executive session. Up to that time grave and reverend seniors had stood out in the open, chewing the rag in a flagrant manner concerning the relations of their Republic with foreign countries. Probably no such irresponsible statesmanship could be witnessed in any other country on the face of the green earth except in America, where merely academic politicians find in such occasions their only opportunity to become either famous or nefarious in the eyes of a variously admiring and astonished constituency.

Senator Works, Republican, of California, started it with an attack on his and our government, and denounced it as a hypocrite in its pretence of being neutral. He was trying to show that it is an arrant humbug. Meanwhile his and our government has been endeavoring to show and to prove to all the European belligerents that it is friendly to all of them and entirely neutral as to their war with each other. When they read Senator Works' speech they may agree with him that Uncle Sam is a two-faced scare-crow who is pretending to be friendly to them while his main object is to rip them up the back. We can't understand why an American "statesman" wants to put his country in such a light as that, but Senator Works does not seem to care much what foreign nations find out about the character of his country. He gave state's evidence against it, and declared that this country is not neutral, although it pretends to be.

Senator Lodge, ranking Republican member of the foreign relations committee, took up for his country against the California Republican's attack Senator Lodge did not defend President Wilson. He considered the attack as made on the United States and its foreign policy, and, being an American, he knew it was bad taste for a Californian or a Republican or a Democrat to be blackballing his country.

Several senators, Democrats and Republicans, dipped in and it was when they began to let first one and then another cat out of the bag that Senator Stone thought it was about time to put the lid on the primary class in statesmanship.

Senator Stone recognized the impropriety of the debate, but he said as how he had listened up to the time he thought it was time to put on the muffled. He had not previously objected because he thought it was very well to let it run a little while by way of feeling out and getting an index to the Senate.

Well, as soon as he saw the Senate was making a fool of itself he moved to close the doors, clear the galleries and go into executive session.

ATLANTA'S RECALL ELECTION.

Atlanta attempted to recall Mayor Jim Woodward and five members of the Atlanta police commission at an election held on Wednesday. For weeks a red hot campaign has been waged in behalf of recall, but Atlanta decided that Mayor Jim and that police commission were good enough for the New York of the South. The election returns showed that 3,399 Atlanta citizens wanted the scalp of its local government, while 6,299 voted against recall.

Atlanta has been set by the ears over the recall campaign and it has been characterized by bitter invective, serious charges, virtuous indignation and vicious resentment. The recall people claimed to represent the pure in heart of Atlanta, so the returns show that they constitute a small majority. Atlanta wanted to be herself, so she declared at the ballot box that she is Ephraim wedded to his idols.

Meanwhile Atlanta's citizens have been giving their city a terrible lot of bad publicity. The Atlanta Constitution deplores it all and gives us to understand that while Atlanta is not any New Jerusalem she is not near so mean as she has been painted while her citizens were mad with each other. In fact, The Constitution says Atlanta has slandered herself, although it is a lovely city in which to live.

It is probably bad enough in Atlanta, but no worse than it is anywhere else. Atlanta is not any saint, and so we understand that she is two to one against pretending to be.

Somebody in Boston tried to dynamite the state house a few days ago. It was only what was fully expected down in Georgia, and Boston could not possibly keep it from being found out by the Savannah Morning News, which chronicles it with this wicked chuckle: "Why, it was from that city not long ago that much criticism of Georgia emanated. Boston, like Chicago, might do well to give more of its attention to its own affairs and less criticism of distant parts of the country." Boston's astuteness ought to enable her to realize the very palpable fact that a darn fool in Massachusetts is just as liable to do something as one down in Georgia. Boston and Chicago papers, please copy.

We fear that the controversy between Germany and Great Britain as to which conducts the most inhumane warfare on the sea will bring about hard feelings between those countries. There is a proposition to leave it to the United States, but Uncle Sam says life is too short to get mixed up in disputes in which all he could do would be to act as the innocent by-stander.

A WILMINGTON WOMAN MAKES AN APPEAL FOR PROTECTION

To the Editor of The Star:

On last Monday The Star published an account of a burglary on Orange street, and which almost resulted disastrously. Two days later you mention another on South Fifth street, and this morning I see the Councilmen have "promised to do something."

I have been watching your columns with interest, trying to locate some move on the part of the citizens in regard to this matter. So far the women of Wilmington express indignation, but the men shrug their shoulders and declare it is too bad—they don't know of a thing that can be done. Is it possible that the men of Wilmington are going to sit still and allow these crimes to go on, and make no effort to catch the thieves and would-be murderers?

I am told that Mr. Smith immediately reported the burglary at his home to the police department, but about thirty hours elapsed before the Chief arrived to see if he could find some tracks. Mr. Editor, if that is the kind of man that controls our police department, do you not agree with me that we should make an effort to get some one who will show some interest in the welfare of the people whom he has sworn to protect?

Last fall when the Farris robbery occurred, I am told that one of the officers of this town stood on the corner fifty feet away, but failed to hear the report when the safe was blown open. As you know, the papers of the State published the facts.

Two years ago I reported an attempted entrance to a house next door, calling over the phone about 4 o'clock in the morning when I was awakened by the efforts of thieves to force a locked door on the latticed porch. In about thirty minutes two policemen arrived, rang the front door bell and asked the occupants if someone were trying to burglarize their home.

I think the other business women of Wilmington will join me in this appeal to you to make an effort through your paper to have some hounds kept here to run down these thieves who operate fearlessly, and in some cases, very disastrously. With hounds two hours from Wilmington, it is little short of a crime on the part of the city to sit still and do nothing to catch Mr. Smith's burglar. Is the Chief not empowered with some authority?

Do you think it is quite fair for the city to spend money on a patrol wagon to pick up little pickaninnies who steal apples from a confectionery store and to arrest an occasional tiger, and still not invest in bloodhounds to catch the real criminals? Last summer I was walking down Market street and saw a policeman arrest a negro child of five or six years for picking up a small piece of ice which was melting in the sun in front of a store. Mr. Editor, is that what the taxpayers of Wilmington are supporting—policemen who have no more to do than guard the safety of the public from small children who steal only a piece of ice? And yet they let these capital crimes pass un-noticed, because they can't do a thing to prevent it.

I am a business woman employed by one of your large firms. Every night I sleep with a loaded 32 revolver where I can put my hand on it. I was taught to handle a gun when a child, and if there are a few women in this city who will express themselves, I believe we can accomplish what the police department has not yet dared to do. Can you not assist us through your paper?

A BUSINESS WOMAN.

"EXPLANATIONS ARE IN ORDER"

To the Editor of The Star:

Can Chief of Police Williams explain to the citizens of this city how he can reconcile his position, when on Sunday morning last, when I reported to him two hours after being almost murdered by a burglar in my home between 6:30 and 6:40 a. m., that unless I could identify the burglar he was utterly powerless to do anything looking to his arrest; yet, thirty hours after the occurrence, could summons up enough courage to go in person to my house and ask that he be shown the (cold) tracks that it might enable him to do something in the matter?

My appearance before the Council was not simply on my behalf, but that of every citizen of this city regardless of color. Explanations are in order.

W. C. SMITH.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Some one might ask what is Fayetteville's purpose in life, and we might reply: "To chase its twin brother, Wilmington, and catch up." The opening up of the canal in this section is going to help bind the ties of Wilmington and Fayetteville closer together and make the two cities much better.—Cape Fear News.

Quite naturally, indignation runs high in Asheville on account of the fact that there is liquor advertising in the city directory, the fact having been discovered by accident. We feel disposed, however to recommend the publishers to the mercy of the populace. Advertising in a city directory accomplishes a minimum of harm—or good, as the case may be.—Greensboro News.

The Republicans in the Senate are massing their forces for an attack upon the President's Mexican policy and his recognition of Gen. Carranza. With all their preparation, however, they have steadfastly refrained from outlining a policy as sane or one that would have accomplished the virtual elimination of all but one of the leaders in Mexico without the intervention of an American army. Their frantic efforts to make Mexico an issue in the campaign this year are indicative of the despair of the drowning man clutching for the proverbial straw.—Savannah News.

Commissioner of Agriculture Graham volunteers to give the farmers of the State practical instruction in the cultivation of indigo, an art now lost, but that once flourished in this State. It is no doubt true that a good crop of indigo would go far toward relieving the dyestuffs situation. At any rate, the farmers could lose no money on the venture. Major Graham contends that the recently changed economic conditions furnish a very strong argument in favor of reviving this abandoned industry among the farmers, and thus not only render our textile manufacturing industry independent of Europe, but place into the hands of our farmers whatever profits might accrue from the production of the plants from which the dyestuffs are made as well as the cotton from which the cloth is made—the salt as well as the pork.—Charlotte Observer.

A baby's life is said to have been "saved by wireless" a few days ago. The infant, on board a steamer several hundred miles at sea, was taken violently ill and the ship's surgeon exhausted his medical skill without avail. As a last resort he sent a wireless message to Cape Hatteras describing the baby's symptoms, and requested that any physician who might read it prescribe for the infant. A doctor living near the radio station immediately complied and two hours later back from the ship came the message that the prescription had been filled and the child's life saved. Such peaceful triumphs of science, wonderful as they are, pass almost unnoticed under the stress of the times while some of the world's greatest scientists are concentrating their energies upon the destruction of much which they previously caused to be created. As one branch of science works to save lives, another snuffs out hundreds of thousands.—Savannah News.

"This is the climate" sings the Kinston Daily News. Sure it is. Up in Asheville Caine yodels about it, in Charlotte Harris and Patton are in a harmonious duet with climate as the subject, in Greensboro Waynick is charmed with it, Clawson and Cowan at Wilmington dote on it, Dunn and Crumpler of the Newbern Sun-Journal give it the tra-la-la twist, Myrover of the Fayetteville Observer talks of it in his dreams, Farabee of the Hickory Record is ready to write a pome about it, Asa Biggs continues in Fayetteville the adoration he had for it while on the Greenville Reflector, Goerch of the Washington News gives it his certificate, Sherill of the Concord Tribune attests its good character, Horne and Herbert of the Rocky Mount Telegram swear by it, and Braxton of the Kinston Free Press agrees with Forlaw and Beasley of the Kinston News that it's bully. Therefore we conclude that "This is the Climate" is a boast of all parts of North Carolina which is justified.—Raleigh News and Observer.

Some of the Northern papers are printing interviews with the Governors of different States as to the outlook for business during the present year and all seem agreed that it is goo. Governor Craig turned over his interviewer to Commissioner of Agriculture Graham as the better authority and Major Graham appears to have been equal to the occasion. He reported that the agricultural condition of the people of the State is better than it has been ever before. The crops generally are in kind the largest that have been produced in any years, and where they are shorter the price is higher. "I think the mill and other industries are prospering. The war has caused the price of agricultural products to rise and I think the same has been the case in a large measure with the cotton mills, and especially with the iron foundries, nearly every one of which has contracts for war material. I think if the war is continued the same conditions as to prices, etc., will also continue, and if peace returns our people will enjoy the opportunity which war prices has given them to improve their business of almost every kind." Major Graham closes with a sensible and truthful deliverance to the effect that in North Carolina "there are very few who wish employment who are not accommodated, and the unemployed are generally those who do not wish to work. In fact, there is a demand for laborers in many sections of the State and they would be welcomed if industrious, but we wish no loafers or disturbers of the peace."—Charlotte Observer.

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FOUND MULATTO IN ROOM

Mrs. W. A. Furlong Was Pushed Aside by Intruder Into Her Home—Escaped Unmolested.

A big mulatto negro boldly entered the home of Mr. W. A. Furlong, No. 2 Postoffice Avenue, yesterday morning between 9 and 10 o'clock and shortly afterwards when he was discovered hiding in a closet of a bedroom on the second floor by Mrs. Furlong, who had gone upstairs after breakfast to place the room in order, roughly pushed her into a chair and quietly walked to the street.

"I was almost completely paralyzed with fear," said Mrs. Furlong yesterday, "and I was unable to speak or make any cry for help. As soon as I regained my senses I hurried down the stairs and saw the big mulatto, who was well dressed, walking leisurely down towards Second street. He was in no hurry as he evidently didn't want to attract attention."

Mrs. Furlong said she had heard some one walking around upstairs before she had gone to the room, but thought it was a young man, who has rooms in the building. She was conscious of some one being nearby, she declared, but had no suspicion that anyone was concealed in the closet. When she attempted to open the door to the closet to get something she desired, the door would not open. When she pulled on it a second time, the negro flung it open, shoved her into a chair and walked out quietly. He did not attempt any violence.

It is supposed the negro had slipped into the house while the family was at breakfast with the intention of stealing any valuables or money he might find and that, when he heard Mrs. Furlong approaching the room, he concealed himself in the closet. He evidently had just arrived, as nothing was missed from the house.

The police was notified of the occurrence and a thorough investigation was made by the officers. Mr. and Mrs. Furlong live within a short distance from the postoffice and near the business center of the city.

A mulatto entered the Atkinson house, No. 20 South Fifth avenue, on Tuesday morning and stole $3.50 from an upstairs room while the family was away and it is not improbable that it was the same man who entered the Furlong home.

MANY GOVERNMENT POSITIONS

Announcement Made of 18 Civil Service Competitive Examinations.

Uncle Sam is always ready to employ help to carry on his big business, and announcement has just been made of 18 competitive examinations between now and March 16 and the positions in most cases pay splendid salaries. The full list, with date of examinations, nature of work and salary, follows:

January 18—Entomologist, male, for bureau of science, in the Philippines, salary $2,000 to $2,500 per annum; assistant surgeon, male for bureau of science, Philippines, salary $1,800; bacteriologist and pathologist, male, for bureau of science, Phillippines, salary $2,000 to $2,500; civil engineer, male, for position in Philippine service, salary $1,800 to $3,000.

January 19—Sanitary engineer, male, for bureau of science, in Philippines, salary $1,600; fish, pathologist, male, for bureau of fisheries, department of commerce, salary $2,500; radio inspector, male, for bureau of navigation at New York and San Francisco, salary $1,200 to $1,600; sanitary engineer, male, for bureau of science, Philippines, salary, $1,600; nautical expert, male, for hydrographic office, bureau of navigation, navy department, salary $1,000 to $1,800; scientific assistant in mycology, for bureau of plant industry, Wilmington, salary $1,200 and $1,400.

January 19-20—Teacher, male and female, for Indian service, salary not stated; structural engineer and draftsman, male, for office of supervising architect, treasury department, Washington, salary $1,800.

January 25—Designer of marine engines, boilers and machinery, male, for duty with Experimental Towboat board, Cincinnati, Ohio, salary $2,400 to $3,000; metallographist, male, for position in war department, Watertown arsenal, Massachusetts, salary $2,000; designer of hulls, male, for experimental towboat board, Cincinnati, Ohio, salary $2,400 to $3,000.

February 2—Assistant in metabolism investigations, for position in public health service, salary $1,500.

February 2-3—Surveyor, male, for engineer department at large, war department, salary $90 to $150 per month.

March 15-16—Teacher, men and women, and industrial teacher, male, and assistant, male, for positions of teacher, supervising teacher, industrial teacher and clerk in Philippine service, salary $1,200 and $3,000 per annum.

TWO FAST SNAPPY GAMES

Y. M. C. A. Commercial Basketball League in Good Form.

Last night in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium two fast and interesting basketball games were played by the four teams composing the Commercial League. The first game was between Jacobi and National Woolen Mills, and resulted in a score of 26 to 10 in favor of Jacobi. At the end of the first half, the score stood ten to six in favor of the National Woolen Mills, but in the second half the Jacobi bunch got going right and succeeded in throwing ten field goals, scoring 20 points. Norman Shepard, the center for Pacobi scored 16 points.

Th second game was between Elvington and Mintz and the City Laundry, and was won by the medicine men by the score of 22 to 15. It was a good snappy game. With no particular stars, and evenly balanced team work won the game. Each man on the winning team scored two baskets with the exception of Monroe, who threw three. For the City Laundry, Hugh Bowen threw four baskets, scoring half the team's points.

The regular games tonight will be played at 8:40 for the first game between Jacobi and Elvington and Mintz, the second game being between the National Woolen Mills and the City Laundry.

New Creamery Started.

Mr. Everett McL. Willson, who for a number of years has been engaged in the dairy business and recently resigned a position with the Standard Supply Company in this city to devote his entire time to this work, has just completed a large and up-to-date barn on his farm on the Masonboro road, one mile east of Winter Park, and expects to conduct a modern creamery. His dairy and creamery will be known as Elmhurst Dairy Farms. Mr. Willson will leave Sunday for Charlotte to purchase about 25 Holstein and Jersey cattle for his farm.

MEETING OF GRAND LODGE

Wilmington Masons Will be Well Represented at Annual Communication in Raleigh.

Wilmington Masonic lodges will have large delegations in attendance at the 129th annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Masons of North Carolina, which will be opened in the Masonic Temple in Raleigh on the evening of Tuesday, January 18th. Dr. C. L. Pridgen, of this city, is senior grand warden of the Grand Lodge, and it is expected that practically all the officers of the three lodges in Wilmington will attend as well as a number of other prominent Masons in the city.

In the absence of Grand Master F. P. Hobgood, who is in Cheyenne, Wyo., Mr. A. B. Andrews, Jr., of Raleigh, deputy and acting grand master, will preside at the meeting and, in accordance with precedent, will be elected grand master for the ensuing year.

Grand Secretary John C. Drewry, of Raleigh, recently underwent an operation from which he is steadily recovering but has found it necessary to be relieved of active duties for a while and Mr. W. W. Willson, of Raleigh, deputy grand secretary, is looking after the affairs of this office.

The annual oration will be delivered on Wednesday night, January 19th, by Hon. H. A. Gudger. There will be several distinguished Masons from out of the state in attendance.

There are now in North Carolina 436 chartered lodges, while six are working under dispensations and will apply for charters at the communication of the Grand Lodge. Each chartered lodge is entitled to three delegates to the Grand Lodge, these being the master and two wardens. Alternates are appointed to attend if the master and wardens cannot do so.

RETURNS FROM CHARLOTTE.

Mr. J. P. Williams, of Belk-Williams Store, Attends Meeting.

Mr. J. P. Williams, manager of the Belk-Williams Department Store in Wilmington, has returned from Charlotte, where he attended the annual conference of the managers of the dozen Belk stores in North and South Carolina. Mr. Williams is a stockholder in the local concern. The Charlotte Observer has the following with reference to the meeting:

"The managers of the Belk stores, 12 in all, located at various strategic commercial centers in the two Carolinas, gathered in Charlotte last night to attend the annual conference which is held every January in this city. These meetings are for the purpose of discussing trade problems as they relate to the several stores and also for an interchange of ideas as to the best ways to promote development and growth. The problems that present themselves are brought forward by the men on the firing line and then their older or more experienced associates suggest how they may be handled effectively. In this way great good is accomplished. The latest acquisition to the Belk chain is the store established in Wilmington which is said to be moving along in splendid fashion."

The improvements of the Wilmington store, which is located on North Front street, formerly conducted by Mr. George O. Gaylord, have been started and when completed will make this one of the most conveniently arranged of any of the chain of 12 stores of the Belk system. The entire building will be overhauled. The three floors of the store will be painted white and the lighting system will be re-arranged. New shelves will be added.

A feature of the improvements will be a rest room on the second floor for shoppers. This will be especially arranged for the convenience and comfort of ladies and children.

BASKETBALL AT BRIGADE.

Second Series Begins Tonight in Friday Night League.

The Christmas holidays mark a division of the basketball season at the Boys' Brigade, and tonight the Friday Night League will begin its second series. The first series of 12 games ended just before Christmas, with the husky Dodgers, Capt. Wm. Montgomery, champions, as will be remembered by the many fans who watched the games throughout the fall. Now a second series of 12 games will be played, and the winner will have to meet the Dodgers in a post-series to decide which team is champion for the year.

The games tonight will be full of interest, and the fans will no doubt be out again in full force to see how their respective favorites will begin the series. The Braves and Seminoles quintettes, which finished the first series in the two bottom positions, seemingly played in hard luck, for they have put up some of the prettiest and hardest fought games ever seen at the Brigade.

The games tonight will begin at 8 o'clock, instead of 8:30, since 20-minute halves will be played during the second series. The teams have been playing 15-minute halves, but the regular time is 20 minutes, and the captains have decided to play 20 minutes. The first game will be between the Dodgers, Captain Montgomery, and the Seminoles, Captain Sholar. The second game will be between the Braves, Captain Snakenburg, and the Reds, Captain Gallagher.

A BAD COMBINATION.

Local Showers and a Drop in Temperature Predicted by Weather Man.

Observer Felger, of the local weather bureau, has been sitting steady in the boat and handing out forecasts for the past few days that have greatly pleased residents of Wilmington but he has changed his tactics and if his predictions are verified, he will likely come in for considerable berating today. For be it known to whom it may concern—and this means everybody in these parts—that Observer Felger has passed the word along that there will be local showers today and, worse still, that it is going to turn cold. That's a bad combination to be sure and one that may result in sleet, snow, or hail.

But it can't be helped and then the weather man might miss his guess for he passed along the same predictions for yesterday but it was as balmy and pleasant as a day in June. But the weather man is determined to have a change—and most likely will have his way about it.

Has Bird Shot Removed.

Col. Walker Taylor, collector of the port of Wilmington, was carrying his arm around in a sling yesterday as a result of having had two bird shot removed from his hand. Colonel Taylor was peppered with shot several years ago and while the two lodged in his hand had caused no serious trouble, he decided to get them out of the way at a convenient time.

TO SOON COMPLETE PROJECT

Contractors Will Finish Work in Winter Park Drainage District Within Thirty Days.

The ditching for the Winter Park drainage district, for which the Southern Drainage & Construction Company, of Kinston, have the contract, will be completed within 30 days, which will afford ample time for the farmers to prepare their lands for the cultivation of crops this year. On account of the partial burning of the big dredge used in digging the ditches, there was a delay of a month or more, the original plans having been to have the work completed by December 1.

The bid dredge is now at work near Audubon station on the suburban line of the Tidewater Power Company. There was some nine or ten miles of ditching to be done and all of this has been finished with the exception of about a mile. The ditches are 14 feet in width at the top and gradually slope down to a width of about three feet at the bottom. They are about five feet in depth.

There will be about 1,500 acres of fertile land opened up for cultivation in the district. While this is one of the important ends gained by the drainage, it is also expected to improve health conditions and to aid materially in ridding that section of mosquitoes. This is the first drainage district to be opened up in New Hanover county but the good work is expected to continue and already there is a movement on foot to establish a district in the Southern part of the county.

The board of commissioners for Winter Park district is composed of Messrs. M. F. H. Gouverneur, C. Van Leuven and L. D. Latta, they having been selected by the property owners. They are empowered not only to have the necessary ditching done but also to maintain the drainage project. The amount of bonds voted for the project was $22,000.

Mr. J. L. Becton, civil engineer, made the survey for the district and has supervision of the engineering work.

TO FORM ORGANIZATION OF SONS OF VETERANS

Meeting Will Be Held Sunday Afternoon at W. L. I. Armory.

Major General James I. Metts, commander of the North Carolina Division of the United Confederate Veterans and also commander of the Cape Fear Camp in Wilmington, requests that all sons of veterans in this city and county attend the regular meeting of the veterans at the W. L. I. armory Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock for the purpose of forming an organization of the Sons of Veterans.

A movement is on foot to organize a local camp of the Sons of Veterans to co-operate with the Confederate Veterans in keeping green the memory of the heroic deeds of the War Between the States. The sons of Confederate veterans have organizations in nearly all the cities of the South and it is desired that Wilmington also be represented.

NEGRO WANTED TO RUN

Shoemaker, However, Interfered With Plans—Scuffle Ensues.

According to Mr. S. Rubin, a shoemaker, whose place of business is at Fourth and Campbell, when Richard Lloyd, a negro, started out of the former's shop yesterday he picked up a pair of shoes that didn't belong to him. Mr. Rubin seized the negro and together they struggled with the negro apparently getting the better of it when Mr. Edward George, janitor at the Court House, was attracted to the place by the scuffle.

He reached the shop just as the two men had gotten to the door and the negro had landed a blow squarely on Mr. Rubin's face that sent him reeling to the wall. Mr. George planted a blow on the negro's mouth that effectually quieted him. A call was sent to the police and the negro was locked up to await a hearing before the Recorder on a charge of larceny. The shoes are being kept at the police station and will be used as evidence against the negro.

OFFICERS ARE NAMED.

Cherokee Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men, Hold Annual Election.

Cherokee Tribe, No. 19, Improved Order of Red Men, have elected for the ensuing year the following officers:

Sachem—D. S. Bender.
Senior Sagamore—George Newton.
Junior Sagamore—J. R. Darden.
Prophet—P. M. Greer.
Chief of Records—S. W. Rowan.
Keeper of Wampum—M. Marshburn.
First Sannap—R. L. Burton.
Second Sannap—C. D. Bender.
First Warrior—J. W. Ward.
Second Warrior—M. Hewett.
Third Warrior—James Sidbury.
Fourth Warrior—Robert Jones.
First Brave—W. D. Johnson.
Second Brave—F. Padrich.
Third Brave—Harry McCabe.
Fourth Brave—James Pope.
Guard of Wigwam—George Grotgen.
Guard of Forest—I. W. Burriss.

PROMOTION FOR OFFICER

Lieut. P. H. Scott, of Coast Guard Cutter, Assigned to Shore Duty.

After 19 years of service on the sea, Lieut. P. H. Scott, second in command on the United States coast guard cutter Seminole, has been assigned to shore duty as inspector with headquarters at Elizabeth City. Lieutenant Scott has been stationed in Wilmington for several years and has made many friends, who are pleased to learn of his promotion although they regret that it will take him away from this city.

Lieutenant Scott is a most efficient officer and the promotion is a recognition of faithful service. Lieut. and Mrs. Scott will leave in a few days for their new home.

WIRELESS STATION AT FORT.

Bureau of Navigation Installs Modern Radio Outfit at Fort Caswell.

The Bureau of Navigation has established a modern and up-to-date wireless telegraph station at Fort Caswell which will be used exclusively in the government service. It has a wave length of 825 miles and will be open daily from 6 A. M. to 10 P. M. The new station will be operated and controlled by the signal corps of the United States War Department.

More Responsible Position.

Friends of Mr. George T. Bland, of this city, who has been a traveling salesman in Eastern North Carolina for some time for the P. Lorillard Tobacco Company, of New York, will be pleased to learn that he has been promoted to second assistant to the division manager. He will have his headquarters at Washington, N. C.

TO PUSH NAVY LEAGUE HERE

Organization Advocates Navy Second to None in World to Be Used for Defense.

A strong section of the membership committee has been appointed to take charge of the Navy League in Wilmington, according to a dispatch to The Star from Washington, D. C. Those who have been appointed to the committee are Junius Davis, Lyman Delano, D. L. Gore, D. W. Gross, George Rountree, J. Allan Taylor and Thomas B. Willard. It will be remembered that Alexander Vest, one of the three traveling representatives of the league, was in Wilmington last summer and organized a branch of the league here with a strong committee to secure memberships to the organization.

They will help to represent that organization in their district in the active, aggressive campaign which it is carrying on in all parts of the country in behalf of adequate preparedness against invasion and disaster. They will co-operate with the members of the Navy League's state committee for North Carolina of which the officers are, Mr. Stuart W. Cramer, of Charlotte, chairman, and Mr. J. Frank Wilkes, secretary, and will lend their energetic and enthusiastic support to the work undertaken to consolidate and organize the overwhelming sentiment of thinking people of the state in behalf of measures of adequate preparedness. A special letter has been forwarded to the gentlemen appointed by the Navy League, notifying them of their appointments.

The letters are signed by Col. Robert M. Thompson, president of the League, and read as follows:

"Dear Sir: In accordance with the instructions of the Board of Directors of the Navy League, I am hereby appointing you a member of the membership committee of that organization.

"In the present days of international strife and hysteria, we believe that it is one of the first duties of every good citizen to work with all his might to insure the provision of such naval defenses for this country as shall render our country strong enough to avoid being drawn into the maelstrom of war, or shall render it certain that no hostile army shall ever set foot on our soil should the worst come and our nation be unavoidably drawn into the strife.

"We believe that the best organized and most potent of the forces working for adequate national defense is the Navy League, and therefore do not hesitate to urge you as a citizen and a patriot, to lend us your fullest and most enthusiastic aid and co-operation in our work to insure our country absolutely against the possibility of invasion by a foreign foe.

"The Secretary of the committee to which you have been assigned will communicate with you shortly in regard to the particular manner in which your assistance will be of most value. May we not count upon you to the fullest extent in this great patriotic work?

"ROBERT M. THOMPSON,
"President of the Navy League of the United States."

NATURAL EDUCATION POPULAR.

Pictures by Wilmington Photographer Used as Illustrations.

The January number of the American Club Woman is illustrated with several pictures of the Natural Educational training class, taken last summer by Mr. Buck, of this city. Teachers, parents and children are seen with Mrs. Stoner, who is telling a story from the Book of Knowledge and the concentration of both grown-ups and little ones is remarkable. As a rule, when people have their pictures taken, they look self-conscious, but not one face in the different groups shown in this magazine has the self-conscious look.

Natural Education seems to be very popular in the magazine world this month as there are interesting articles in at least a half dozen of the most popular magazines. The article in The Club Woman was written by Miss M. O. Hays, who is a pro tem. Wilmingtonian. The Ladies' World contains a delightful story of how Mrs. Hardesty, of Philadelphia, has made wonders of her three boys via Natural Education. The Educator has a lengthy editorial on Mrs. Stoner and her work, concluding with the following tribute: "The fact remains that the author of Natural Education is one who was born with a love of knowledge and an ability to learn, and one who could not be deceived or spoiled by social position or wealth, and who joyfully assumed the responsibility of motherhood, believing that it included the duty of teaching her child."

The Guide to Nature and two foreign magazines, Le Reviau and Semanario Ilustrado, contain illustrated and lengthy articles concerning the founder of the new world educational idea.

BIG MATCH TONIGHT.

Fritz Hanson and Bull Montana Will Contest for Wrestling Honors.

Fritz Hanson, Wilmington's champion wrestler, and Bull Montana, who in the language of the fans is "some wrestler," will meet tonight at 8:30 o'clock at Woolvin hall and a match worth while is promised. Hanson says he is in the best of condition and will he amply able to take care of himself while Montana appears to be confident that he will win.

Montana won from Herman Schmidt, of Norfolk, last Friday night and Hanson downed "John Kilbane" in that city on Monday night, so that both of the two men have a victory to their credit within a week's time. Montana is about 20 pounds heavier than the local man but Hanson is sure he can more than make up for this discrepancy with greater skill.

There will be a preliminary match between two local wrestlers before the Hanson-Montana bout and this promises to be something worth while.

FAMILY HAD HIM TIED.

Father and Husband Raised Disturbance in Home—Lodged in Jail.

Tied hard and fast in "hog" fashion was C. S. Riggs, an old white man, when the officers went to his home in East Wilmington late Wednesday night in response to a call from members of the family. According to the members of the family, the old man had been "roughing" it to a large degree and in order to keep him quiet they had resorted to the use of a rope.

Deputy Sheriffs Kelly and Keen and County Officer Godwin went after Riggs in an automobile and brought him to the county jail, where he is being held in default of bond in the sum of $400. He is to have a hearing before Justice Harriss this morning on a charge of assault, it being alleged that he assaulted both his wife and daughter.

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Remodeling Sale

This week we commenced the Remodeling of the Interior of Our Big Store, and for the next three weeks we will be busy day and night, changing, rebuilding and painting. We find here and there a few lots of merchandise that we do not want to put in stock in our "Improved Store," and, in order to close out this merchandise, we are making prices on them so low that it assures their quick selling. They're on sale now. Come this week, and save some money.

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15c Shepard Check Suitings, Remnants, at 10c
10c Solid Gray Outings, 27 inches, at 7½c
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Men's 10c Gray Sox at 5c
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Men's $1.00 Work Pants, at 75c

Men's 50c Work Shirts, at 39c
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Men's 20c Leather Belts, Black or Tan, at 10c
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Colgate's and Williams' 25c Talcums, at 15c
$1.00 Alarm Clocks, at 79c
$1.50 Alarm Clocks, at $1.25
Ladies' odd lot Shoes, values up to $2, at 97c
Ladies' odd lot Shoes, values up to $3.50, at $1.19
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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Miss Katie Lee Merriman has returned from Savannah, Ga., where she spent the holidays.

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Mrs. M. O. Callaway, mother of Mrs. A. D. McClure, returned home Wednesday night from Spartanburg, S. C., where she had been spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. W. S. Glenn.

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Mrs. Mary Bellamy, who spent the summer months in the mountains of Virginia and later visited her daughter, Mrs. Maurice Chiswell, of Norfolk, Va., has returned home. She was accompanied by her daughter, Miss Lilla G. Bellamy.

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Dr. McClure's Bible class will meet at the Y. W. C. A. this morning at 11:30 o'clock. The subject for study will be the Book of Ezekiel. The High School Bible class will meet for supper at the association building and this will be followed by the regular lesson study.

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There will be a called meeting of the extension committee of the Y. W. C. A. at the association building this morning at 11:30 o'clock. The regular meeting of the board of directors will be held Thursday morning at 10 o'clock and the physical committee will meet Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

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Miss Edna Fulton and Mr. A. L. Howard were married Wednesday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock at the parsonage of Trinity Methodist church, the ceremony being performed by Rev. W. V. McRae. Mr. Howard is employed in the city engineer's office and is a young man of bright promise. He and his bride have the best wishes of a host of friends in the city and elsewhere.

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WILMINGTON ATTORNEY WEDS GEORGIA GIRL IN MACON.

William M. Bellamy, Esq., son of Hon. John D. Bellamy, and Miss Anne Thornton Spence, of Atlanta, Ga., were married in Macon on Wednesday of this week, according to a message received here by relatives. It was not known in Wilmington that the wedding was to take place and the announcement of the marriage came as a complete surprise to relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Bellamy will return to Wilmington after their honeymoon.

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ENGAGEMENT OF MR. A. B. CROOM, JR., IS ANNOUNCED

A dispatch to The Star from Winston-Salem states that announcement was made in that city last night of the engagement of Miss Elizabeth Rudder Fearrington, of that city, and Mr. Avery Burr Croom, Jr., of Wilmington. The announcement was made by Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Fearrington, parents of the bride-to-be. The wedding will be a quiet home affair and will take place late in February.

Miss Fearrington is a member of one of the prominent families of Winston-Salem. Mr. Croom is senior member of the firm of A. B. Croom, Jr., Co., wholesale grocers, and is one of the well known and popular young business men of this city.

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SEVERAL SOCIAL AFFAIRS IN AND AROUND MOUNT OLIVE.

Mount Olive, N. C., Jan. 6.—Messrs. J. R. Maxwell and W. F. Patten, proprietors of the Patten Package Company of Calypso, gave a number of their Calypso and Mount Olive friends a delightful oyster feast on Tuesday evening, at the company's big plant at Calypso. Following the feast there were many expressions of appreciation and good will from the invited guests, the occasion proving one of rare delight and wholesome social intercourse.

One of the most enjoyable of the functions marking the gay social season of the past few days was the reception to the younger set of the city, given by Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Wooten, preceded by a dinner party, both affairs honoring Mrs. Wooten's overnight guests, Misses Eunice Bizzell, Hattie, Sarah and Mary Wooten, Lillian D. Wooten, Messrs. Norwood Bizzell and Sterling Wooten, of Goldsboro, and Miss Kathleen Copeland, of Kinston.

Punch was served in the hall by Misses Eunice Bizzell and Mabel Kornegay, assisted by Miss Kathrine Knowles and Mrs. H. M. Cox. In the dining room the hostess, assisted by little Misses Annie Southerland and Kate Steele, served brick cream with Christmas cakes of many kinds, followed by pink and white bon bons.

The decorations were in red and white and very beautiful, as was every feature of the reception, which was attended by a large number, every one of whom seemed to enter fully into the holiday spirit.

The hospitable old home of Mrs. Annie W. Southerland presented a scene of unusual mirth on last Friday evening. The occasion was a jolly New Year's party, given by Mrs. Southerland to her granddaughter, Miss Mary Steele, and Mrs. H. M. Cox.

This was the last party of the holiday season, and was given over to rollicking fun. In a lovely forfeit game, Miss Margaret Martin won the girl's prize and Mr. Madrid Loftin, the boy's, each receiving a box of delicious candy. Fortune telling and the graceful old Virginia Reel followed the serving of refreshments, consisting of tutti-frutti ice cream and cakes. Thus pleasantly engaged, the young people passed the hours till midnight, at which time they were invited to a vacant lot across the street, where material had been gathered for a huge bon-fire. Then, in the light of dancing flames and amid the ringing of bells, the members of the jolly party departed for their respective homes, bidding farewell to 1915 and extending a jubilant greeting to the New Year.

On last Tuesday night, at the home of Mrs. Geo. W. Williams, her sister, Miss Mayo McCurrie, entertained the members of the Wesleyan Philathea Bible class of the Methodist church. Officers for the year were elected, as follows: President, Mrs. W. F. Martin; secretary, Miss Sallie Flowers; treasurer, Miss Ada English; teacher, Miss Ellen McPhail; assistant teacher, Miss Georgia Andrews. Plans for the new year were made and, after a very interesting session, Miss McCurrie served sandwiches and coffee.

PERSONALS.

—Mr. J. L. Becton has returned from a business trip to Clinton.

—Mr. G. T. Morgan, of Councils, was registered at the Orton yesterday.

—Mr. J. L. Nicholson, of Richlands, was a guest at the Orton yesterday.

Mr. J. Q. Bell, of Rocky Point, was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

—Mr. Hugh Pinnix, of Greensboro, was a visitor in the city yesterday, a guest at the Orton.

—Capt. J. F. Bussells and Mr. J. B. Church, of Southport, were visitors in the city yesterday, guests at the Orton.

—Former Solicitor N. A. Sinclair, of Fayetteville, was in the city on professional business yesterday, a guest at the Orton.

—Mr. N. E. Feary, an expert sign painter of New York, arrived in Wilmington yesterday to accept a position with the Southern Sign Shop.

—Mr. John F. McVey has returned home after spending some time in Washington, D. C. He was badly bruised in a railroad wreck at Rocky Mount on Christmas day but has now completely recovered.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Messrs. G. F. Hunt and L. Vereen were recognized Policeman O. V. Thompson yesterday for their appearance before the Recorder this morning to answer to a charge of speeding.

—Justice Bornemann yesterday placed Lizzie Miller, colored, under a bond of $50 to keep the peace for two months, it being alleged by Annie Russ, colored, that she was afraid of the Miller woman.

—Justice Harriss yesterday dismissed a case against Lee Wilkins, colored, in which he was charged with embezzlement, and taxed the prosecutrix, Anna Tucker, also colored, with the costs in the case brought against the negro for housebreaking.

A SUCCESSFUL HUNT.

Mr. Thos. E. Cooper Foregathers With Old Friends Near Mullins.

This week's issue of the Mullins Enterprise has the following that will be of interest to the friends of Mr. Thos. E. Cooper in this city:

"Thos. E. Cooper, banker and philanthropist, spent the week-end on his ranch south of Mullins. He invited several friends to join him at his club house, 'The Sans Souci.' Mr. Cooper and party had fine luck hunting and fishing, and kept the table well supplied. Mr. Cooper, or 'Tom' as we all call him, for we can only think of him as a home boy, personally bagged quite a string of partridges. The cook was an old family servant, experienced in epicurean art, and many were the dainty dishes set before the charming host and his welcome guests.

"Mr. Cooper is noticeably different from many others in similar circumstances, and is frequently the subject of comment by those who know his big heart. He is never happier than when he can find time to steal away from his arduous and nerve-racking labors in the financial world and hike to his estate on the Pee Dee and mingle with his friends, sharing with them such luxurious appointments as only the well-to-do and thoughtful mind can gather. There are few young men who enjoy 'true life' like Tom Cooper."

NO RESPECT FOR LINES.

Cows Fail to Recognize Limitations and Cause Owners Trouble.

Anybody who has ever had anything to do with cows knows they do not always have due respect for man-made laws and that if given sufficient liberty are just as apt as not to stray into forbidden territory. Even men have been known to do the same thing. What is a line anyhow but an imaginary thing? Every school boy knows that the definition for a line is something that has neither length nor breadth but may extend an indefinite distance.

It happens that Messrs. R. W. Futch and A. S. Johnson, farmers in Pender county, have some cows that failed to recognize their limitations that forbid said cattle from coming into New Hanover county. The reason is simple for New Hanover has the tick law enforced and Pender has not.

Wherefore, since said cows failed to recognize this fact and failed further to stay on the right and proper side of the line, Messrs. Futch and Johnson save been summoned by Government Inspector J. E. Jennings to appear before Justice Harriss this morning at 9 o'clock and show cause, if any, why they did not see that these cows had due respect for the laws of society.

BEGIN WORK FOR NEW YEAR.

High School Clubs Will Meet for Supper and Bible Study Tonight.

After two weeks of celebration of the happy Yuletide season, the members of the Prep-High School club of the Y. M. C. A. will tonight resume their weekly meetings and will have supper and Bible study at the association building at 6:15 o'clock. The boys enjoy these weekly meetings and find them most profitable.

The committee in charge of this work is composed of Messrs. C. Walton Johnson, Odis B. Hinnant, Malcolm G. Little, Heman S. Shaw and Rev. J. A. Sullivan.

IMMENSE INCREASE IN TRUNK LINE FREIGHT

Shown by Number of Cars Handled at Raleigh

Court Procedure Commission to Submit Proposed Changes to Public. Commissioner Young Issues Warnings—Other News.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 6.—Immense increase in the volume of freight handled by the trunk lines of railway in North Carolina is indicated by the fact that there was an increase of 2,200 loaded cars handled on the Johnson Street freight yards here during the past month, compared with the number of cars handled during the corresponding month of last year. The Seaboard Air Line has added nearly 50 additional trainmen for the North Carolina division since November 1.

A Southern Railway official says that on last Sunday 22 freight trains, averaging 68 cars to the train, passed through Greensboro.

Chief Justice Walter Clark, as chairman of the legislative commission for the revision of court procedure in North Carolina, and W. S. Wilson, State Legislative Librarian, were working today on a full report of the commission conference held yesterday, when the individual members of the committee submitted their recommendations as to changes that the commission will recommend to the next Legislature. These reports are being summarized for issuance to the newspapers in order that the people of the State may know just what changes are being considered by the commission and in order that criticisms may be received from lawyers and laymen.

Young Issues Warning.

Insurance Commissioner Jas. R. Young is issuing a warning to the people of North Carolina against patronizing agents of the reciprocal underwriters of Texas, as well as underwriters of that state who, he says, are attempting to operate in North Carolina without being licensed by the State. They are claiming that they can issue policies in North Carolina without incurring the penalty imposed by State taxes. The commissioner says this is a mistake and he wants it understood that any person representing an unlicensed company is subject to fine and imprisonment and will be promptly prosecuted. He says one agent has already fled the State largely because he issued policies through one of these unlicensed concerns.

Commissioner Young is taking special steps to impress upon users of gasoline in North Carolina the importance of having safety cans to contain the fluid on hand. These cans, he says, in order to carry lowest insurance rates, must be of approved pattern. The Insurance Department is in position to supply a full list of the manufacturers of safety cans that have the official approval of the Underwriters Laboratories of Chicago. He is anxious for merchants of the State, especially the hardware dealers, to arrange to supply cans of the approved patterns.

Gored by Mad Bull.

A mad bull gored and seriously injured Perry Greene, a well known Wake county farmer, last evening at the young man's plantation on the Louisburg road, three miles from Raleigh. Jesse Harris, a farm hand, went to the rescue of Mr. Greene and probably saved the young man from fatal injury. Mr. Greene was attempting to transfer the bull to another pen when the animal suddenly turned and knocked him down, goring him in the side.

The Gates Supply Company, of Gates, Gates county, was chartered today with $50,000 authorized and $7,500 subscribed by O. B. Miller, J. C. Holland and others. The company will do a peanut milling business, operate cotton gins and fertilizer plants and do a general mercantile business.

The Bruce Fry Plow Company, of Hickory, is chartered with $4,000 capital authorized and subscribed, the incorporators being R. B. Fry, H. L. Whitner and L. S. Lowman.

Another charter is for the Hertford County Undertakers' Union (Inc.) of Winton, capital $5,000 authorized and $580 subscribed by C. S. Brown, C. B. Dickens, J. R. Weaver and others.

Requisition Issued.

Governor Craig issued a requisition today on the governor of South Carolina for W. H. Butler, who is wanted at Fayetteville for immoral conduct. He is being held in Marlboro county for the North Carolina authorities.

Rev. J. H. Drew is attracting large congregations to the Tabernacle church for a series of revival services in which Rev. Mr. Drew is assisting the pastor, Rev. Charles E. Maddrey.

IMPRESSIVE SERVICE HELD.

Epiphany Celebrated in Unique Manner at Church of Good Shepherd.

The Epiphany service at the Church of the Good Shepherd last night was conducted by the rector, Rev. W. R. Noe, and Archdeacon Thos. P. Noe. Mrs. Charles Pancoast, of Philadelphia, made an earnest and impressive address in which she brought out the thought of Epiphany and told of the work of St. Luke's Hospital in Tokio, Japan.

During the service there was a single candle burning on the altar and at its close Archdeacon Noe lighted his candle from this one and then lighted the candles of the seven "Wise Men" who in turn lighted the candles which had been previously distributed to the members of the congregation. After the benediction, the congregation marched out of the church with the lighted candles in their hands. The scene was one of impressive beauty and brought out in striking manner the lesson of the Epiphany season.

There was a large congregation in attendance and splendid music.

EPIPHANY SERVICES HELD

Congregation of St. John's Have Impressive Observance of Day.

There was a large congregation at St. John's Episcopal church at the Epiphany services last night. Beautifully colored slides, portraying the birth of Christ—the first Christmas gift—and the visit of the Wise Men were shown and there were a number of recitations appropriate to the season.

Closing the service was a splendid address of Mrs. Charles Panconst, of Philadelphi who spoke of the spirit of missions suggested by Ephiphany day and told of the work being done at St. Luke's hospital in Tokio, Japan.

FAILED TO HAVE BELL

Arthur Bennett, Colored Boy, Taxed With Costs for Carelessness.

Arthur Bennett, a 14-year-old colored boy, failed to have a bell on a bicycle he was riding along Front street and this resulted in his arrest by the police. This happened several days ago and the trial was held up by Recorder Empie because he had been told that the boy had run into an aged owman at Front and Princess streets, causing her to be knocked down and one of her arms to be broken. However, as no one ever appeared in court to prosecute the youngster, he passed upon the matter yesterday and taxed the boy with the costs for failure to have a bell on his bicycle, this being the only charge against him.

Paul Brown, colored, charged with abandonment of his wife, was taxed with the costs and directed to pay to his wife every week the sum of $2.50 for her support. J. O. Smith, a white man, was found not guilty of a charge of assault.

DEFERRED MESSAGES.

Announcement by the Western Union as to Trans-Atlantic Business.

The Western Union Telegraph Company announces that owing to a temporary shortage of facilities it will be necessary to suspend for a few days the handling of trans-Atlantic deferred messages. Every effort will be made to restore service and cable letters at the earliest moment and the public will be promptly advised so soon as conditions permit the restoration of these services. The company states that the necessity for this action is greatly regretted but the suspension of deferred service by other trans-Atlantic cable companies some days ago has resulted in a flood of deferred messages to Western Union cables and it, therefore, becomes necessary in order to protect the company's regular patrons and regular full paid service.

BISHOP DARST SPEAKS.

At Epiphany Service at St. James' Episcopal Church Yesterday.

Bishop Thos. C. Darst, of the Diocese of East Carolina, made an earnest and eloquent address at the Epiphany service at St. James' Episcopal church yesterday morning at 11 o'clock. This was the first anniversary of his consecration as Bishop of the Diocese. He spoke of the meaning of the day, its significance being the inculcation of the idea of missions.

The Holy Communion was celebrated at the church yesterday morning at 7:30 o'clock.

Several Suits Started.

Several suits were started in Superior Court yesterday but no complaints were filed in any of them. Suit was started by the Misses Cronly against L. A. Blue and wife, the plaintiffs being represented by ex-Judge Bryan. The Armour Fertilizer Works through their attorney, Graham Kenan, Esq., instituted suit against the Carolina Transportation Company and suit was also started by the city of Wilmington through Assistant City Attorney Bellamy against Abbie and Sarah Sullivan.

MRS. PANCOAST TO SPEAK.

At St. James' Parish House This Afternoon—Public is Invited.

Mrs. Charles Pancoast, of Philadelphia, who is visiting Wilmington in the interest of St. Luke's Hospital in Tokio, Japan, will speak at St. James' Parish house this afternoon at 4 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. Pancoast spoke at the Victoria theatre yesterday afternoon. Her lecture was to have been illustrated with stereopticon views of Japan, but the slides failed to arrive in time.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following deeds were filed for record yesterday: Kinsey Hobbs and wife to Chas. S. Britt, for $50 and other considerations, lot on Mercer Place in East Wilmington; J. J. McPherson and wife to Neil V. Oldenbuttel, for $25 and other considerations, lot on north side of Orange street, 42 feet east of 17th. Deeds were filed for an exchange of lots at Sunset Park by L. W. Davis and wife, the Fidelity Trust & Development Company taking one lot in exchange for another.

Last Service Tonight.

The last service of the week of prayer at Immanuel Presbyterian church will be held tonight when prayers will be offered in behalf of the foreign mission work of the church. The service last night was in the interest of Sabbath school extension and publication. The services have been in charge of the pastor, Rev. J. S. Crowley.

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BEAUTIFUL MAE MURRAY DESERTS STAGE FOR SCREEN

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MAE MURRAY, THE "NELL BRINKLEY GIRL"
Who is to be Seen in Lasky-Paramount Pictures.

Mae Murray has gone away from New York to be absent for a long, long time. The famous beauty, and until recently star of "Ziegfeld's Follies of 1915," has been engaged to appear exclusively for a term of three years in productions of the Jesse L. Lasky Feature Play Company on the Paramount Program. Her contract release from Mr. Ziegfeld was purchased for a large sum this week by Samuel Goldfish, executive head of the Lasky Company, and Miss Murray already is on her way to Hollywood, Cal., to report to Cecil B. DeMille, director general of the Lasky studios.

Probably no American girl of the generation has gained the fame which has come to Miss Murray since she made her debut on Broadway in an inconspicuous capacity in a musical comedy chorus. She was quickly engaged by Mr. Ziegfeld, and when the country-wide craze for dancing swept these fair United States two years ago Miss Murray swept into favor as one of the principal and most graceful exponents of the hesitation and the one-step. Her fame became so great that a roof garden in the heart of New York was named after her, and during the past season she has been one of the stars of the ever-popular "Follies."

It is a strange thing that Miss Murray's entrance into the field of motion pictures came by way of the burlesque screen, so to speak. One of the features of the "Follies" was a burlesque scene showing how motion pictures are made. Miss Murray was the star of the travesty production, but she photographed so well and her beauty was of a type so admirably suited to motion pictures that she received many offers to leave the stage and devote herself exclusively to the screen. A contract for a period of years with Mr. Ziegfeld stood in the way of any such inducements until Mr. Goldfish, in behalf of the Lasky Company, purchased the contract.

Miss Murray is small, blonde and vivacious. She has been eagerly sought for years as a model for reading illustrators, and her success on the screen is expected to be a great one.

FEW FOLKS HAVE GRAY HAIR NOW

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Nowadays we get this famous mixture by asking at any drug store for a 50 cent bottle of "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound," which darkens the hair so naturally, so evenly, that nobody can possibly tell it has been applied. Besides, it takes off dandruff, stops scalp itching and falling hair. You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. By morning the gray hair disappears; but what delights the ladies with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur is that, besides beautifully darkening the hair after a few applications, it also brings back the gloss and lustre and gives it an appearance of abundance.

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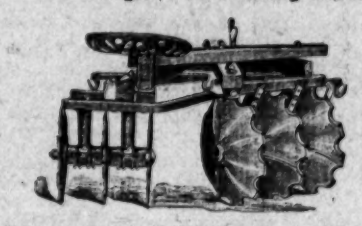

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

COTTON NERVOUS; DECLINES

Slight Opening Advance Followed by Sharp Break—March Closes at 12.50 and Spot 12.45.

New York, Jan. 6.—The cotton market was nervous and unsettled today, a slight opening advance being followed by rather a sharp break, with March selling off from 12.61 to 12.43 and closing at 12.50. The general list closed steady at a net decline of 3 to 8 points.

Early cables from Liverpool, showing continued strength, carried the list into new high ground for the movement with May selling at 12.83 and July at 12.98 or a little more than $3 per bale above the low level reached shortly before the holidays. Liverpool was a good buyer here, presumably to undo straddles. Active selling from Wall Street, local and Southern sources was supposed to repeat hedging against cotton purchased by exporters in the South late yesterday. Local offerings were inspired by a feeling that the South was supplying the demand at slight advances and a little later by a sharp break in the Liverpool market continued selling carried May contracts off to 12.66 and July to 12.81 during the afternoon when the general list sold about 8 to 15 points under last night's closing figures. A rally of 7 or 8 points from the lowest in later trading reflected covering and a little Liverpool buying and was accompanied by reports of continued steadiness in Southern spot markets. No closing was reported in the ocean freight situation. Exports today 25,467 bales, making 2,-330174 so far this season.

Closed steady.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
January	..12.35	12.35	12.22	12.25
March	. . . .12.60	12.61	12.43	12.50
May	. . . .12.82	12.83	12.66	12.73
July	. . . .12.96	12.98	12.81	12.89
October	. . . .12.62	12.62	12.46	12.54

Spot quotation quiet; middling uplands 12.45; sales 300 bales.

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling, 12.00; receipts, 4,378; exports, 6,027; sales, 1,960; stock, 427,317.

Galveston—Middling, 12.45; receipts, 11,035; exports, 14,210; sales, 951; stock, 399,330.

Mobile—Middling, 11.88; receipts, 74; sales, 75; stock, 33,771.

Savannah—Middling, 12.25; receipts, 2,661; sales, 2,273; stock, 212,298.

Charleston—Middling, 12.00; receipts, 218; sales, 500; stock, 105,406.

Wilmington — Receipts, 193; stock, 41,896.

Norfolk — Middling, 12.00; receipts, 1,933; sales, 1,620; stock, 131,139.

Baltimore—Exports, 294; stock, 5,-163.

Boston—Middling, 12.45; receipts, 1,-077; exports, 150; stock, 11,000.

Philadelphia — Middling, 12.70; receipts, 100; stock, 1,950.

New York—Middling, 12.45; receipts, 205; exports, 2,096; sales, 100; stock, 326,891.

Minor Ports—Stock, 63,513.

Total today—Receipts, 21,874; exports, 25,467; stock, 1,758,674.

Total for week—Receipts, 127,459; exports, 69,214.

Total for season—Receipts 4,292,312; exports, 2,381,621.

Interior Movement.

Houston — Middling, 12.40; receipts, 5,353; shipments, 8,511; sales, 4,622; stock, 225,981.

Memphis—Middling, 12.38; receipts, 2,625; shipments, 3,311; sales, 3,500; stock, 352,991.

Augusta — Middling, 12.00; receipts, 823; shipments, 2,246; sales, 1,931; stock, 207,161.

St. Louis—Middling, 12¼; receipts, 5,-631; shipments, 5,879; sales, 25; stock, 16,251.

Cincinnati—Receipts, 839; shipments, 1,275; sales, 17; stock, 17,844.

Little Rock—Middling, 12.25; receipts, 493; shipments, 1,237; sales, 1,-237; stock, 40,979.

Dallas—Middling, 12.00.

Montgomery—Middling, 11.81; sales, 167.

Total—Receipts 15,764; shipments 22,459; stock 861,207.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

Initial Advance Slumps and Market Closes at Loss of 5 to 8 Points.

New Orleans, Jan. 6.—An initial advance of 3 to 8 points followed by a slump of 14 to 18 points in the cotton market here today, but no great activity was displayed at any time. At the lowest the trading months were 11 to 12 points under yesterday's last quotations. The close was at a net loss of 5 to 8 points. The high opening was in sympathy with the wide advance in the market. And the sag followed the sharp break late in the day in Liverpool.

Freight rates from New Orleans to Liverpool of $15 a bale, posted on the blackboards at the cotton exchange today, excited much bearish comment. At the same time spots held steady at quotations and reports from interior spot centers were to the effect that sellers were not willing to offer concessions.

The market was given a steady undertone by bullish expectations concerning the forthcoming census bureau report on ginnings, many traders looking for figures not to exceed 10,500,-000 bales as the ginning to January 1.

Futures closed steady; closing bid: January 12.05; March 12.34; May 12.63; July 12.81; October 12.44.

Spot cotton steady; sales on the spot 1,560 bales; to arrive 400; middling 12.00.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Jan. 6. — Cotton seed oil advanced 9 to 10 points early on advancing crude markets, buying by refineries and, with the strength in lard, but towards the close a setback took place under liquidating sales and last prices were 2 points lower to 2 net higher. Sales, 22,100 barrels.

Closed steady. Spot, 8.75 bid; January, 8.80@8.90; February, 8.75@8.78; March, 8.77@8.78; April, 8.78@8.79; May, 8.85@8.86; June, 8.87@8.88; July, 8.92@8.93; August, 8.97@8.99. Total sales, 21,800.

Chicago, Jan. 6. — Hogs—Easy. Bulk, 6.85@7.10; light, 6.65@7.05; mixed, 6.70@7.20; heavy, 6.70@7.25; rough, 6.70@6.85. Pigs, 5.75@6.85.

Cattle — Steady. Native beef steers, 6.30@9.50; cows and heifers, 3.10@8.40; calves, 7.00@10.75.

Sheep—Firm. Wethers, 6.90@7.50; ewes, 5.00@6.85; lambs, 7.00@10.50.

WHEAT GAINS ARE OFFSET

Possibility of British Shipments from Argentina and Australia Has Effect on the Market.

Chicago, Jan. 6. — Prospects that action of the British government would force larger shipments from Argentina and Australia more than offset today's advances in the price of wheat. The outcome was a steady; close at ⅛@¼c. decline, with May at 1.26⅞ to 1.27, and July at 1.18⅞ to 1.19. Other leading staples all scored gains. Corn, ⅝@⅝ to ¾; oats, ¼@⅜ to ½c., and provisions at 5 to 15@17c.

Grain and provisions close:

Wheat—May, 1.26⅞; July, 1.18⅞.

Corn—May, 77½; July, 1.18⅜.

Oats—May, 48¼; July, 47.

Pork—January, 18.95; May, 19.25.

Lard—January, 10.12; May, 10.27.

Ribs—January, 10.35; May, 10.72.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.26½; No. 3, red, 1.24½@1.25¾; No. 2, hard, 1.23¾@1.24; No. 3, hard, 1.20½@1.22¼.

Corn—No. 2, yellow, nominal; No. 4, yellow, 70@72; No. 4, white, 69½@71¼.

MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. Cherokee, Bunnell, Georgetown, C. J. Becker, agent.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.), 3,289 tons, Mellasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Keil (Ger.), 2,872 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

Str. Kylemohr (Br.), 1,932 tons, McIntosh, Henry Whyte, agent

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Jan. 6.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—55½c.

ROSIN—Large, $5.60; small, $5.50.

TAR—$2.10-8½c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Nominal.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 42½c. Rosin, $3.05. Tar, $2.00-8c. Crude turpentine, nominal.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine 3

Rosin 51

Tar 121

Crude Turpentine 14

Receipts — Same day last year: Spirits turpentine, 3 casks; rosin, (—) barrels; tar, 149 barrels; crude turpentine, 28 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—11⅝. Quotations same day last year, 7½c.

Receipts—105 bales; same day last year, 1,094 bales.

Total receipts since August 1st, to date, 137,286 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 102,213 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

Wilmington, Jan 6th.

Atlantic Coast Line—105 bales cotton; 6 barrels rosin; 30 barrels tar; 9 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—27 barrels tar; 5 barrels crude turpentine.

Str. Luray—54 barrels tar.

Addie May—3 casks spirits turpentine; 45 barrels rosin; 10 barrels tar.

Total—105 bales cotton; 3 casks spirits turpentine; 51 barrels rosin; 121 barrels tar; 14 barrels crude turpentine.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Jan. 6.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, 60c. to 65c. per bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—80c to 90c.

CORN—$1.75 per sack.

BEEF—Native dressed, 7@9c.; good demand.

PORK—Small, 10@11c. per pound.

SHEEP—Gross: Old sheep, 3@4c.; lambs, 3@5c. lb.

WOOL—Burry, 19 to 28c.; black wool, 17 to 20c; first class white wool, 27c.

HIDES—Green salt, 13@13c.; dry flint, 17@20c. per lb.; good demand.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 20c.; sides and shoulders, 16c. per lb. Good demand.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per lb.; good demand.

POULTRY—Chickens, grown, 45c to 50c.; spring, 20c to 25c. head. Geese, 55c. to 60c. per head. Ducks, 35c. to 60c. owing to quality. Turkeys, 15c to 18c. lb., alive; 20c to 23c., dressed.

EGGS—27c to 28c.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Jan. 6 —North Carolina Peanuts—New crop, market firm. Fancy hand-picked, 84c.; No. 1, machine picked, 77c. per bushel

Virginia Peanuts—New crop, steady. Jumbos, 68c.; fancy hand-picked, 55c.; No. 1, machine-picked, 50c. per bushel.

Spanish Peanuts—New crop firm; No. 1, small, machine-picked, $1.00; Jumbos, 90c. per bushel.

Receipts—Light.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Jan. 6. — Spanish — Farmers' stock—Market, steady.

First quality, $1.10 per bu.; green and dirty, 60c. to 75c. per bu.

Virginias, Farmers' stock—Market, firm.

Fancy Jumbo 4c. per lb.; Extra Prime 3¾c per lb.; Prime 3½c. per lb.; Shelling stock, 2¼c. to 3c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Jan. 6. — Spot, steady; good middling, 8.68; middling, 8.35; low middling, 7.91. Sales, 10,000. For speculation and export, 500. Receipts, 14,000. Futures, irregular and unsettled. January, 7.99½; January and February, 7.99½; February and March, 7.97½; March-April, 7.95; April-May, 7.90¾; May-June, 7.85½; June-July, 7.80½; July-August, 7.75½; August-September, 7,50½; September-October, 7.41; October-November, 7.34; November-December, 7.28; December-January, 7.24; January-February, 7.21.

STOCK MARKET IRREGULAR

Gary's Statement on Steel Situation Overshadowing Feature—Stocks Held Under Restraint.

New York, Jan. 6.—The one engrossing and overshadowing feature of today's highly irregular and at times unsettled market was the statement issued by Chairman Gary, of the United States Steel Corporation, bearing upon present and future aspects of that important industry. As a matter of fact, the statement went far beyond its probable intent and many interpretations and inferences, mostly unfavorable, were drawn therefrom. In trade circles and among the substantial banking interests, however, Judge Gary's utterances were accepted as a conservative and opportune exposition of conditions.

Stocks were under restraint in the outset and naturally the course of United States Steel was observed with especial interest. Steel common opened at a slight advance but soon fell off to 86 1-2 to which it recovered to 87 1-8. After that it lost ground, yielding to 86 just before the close and making only a feeble rally. Other leading issues were at lowest prices in the final hour.

For a while coppers withstood the selling movement better than any other group but eventually felt the impact of the increased selling. General Motors fell 45 points to 440; Bethlehem Steel 24 1-2 to 425, and International Agricultural preferred to 64. Rails were very heavy under constant pressure. Also losses in that division were barely more than 1 to 2 cents. Exchange on Germany and Austria established new low records, marks declining to 72 1-4, but demand sterling was decidedly strong.

Anglo-French 5s reflected the strength in exchange on London with numerous sales at 95. The bond market in general was decidedly irregular. Total sales, par value, aggregated $5,-225,000. United States bonds were steady on call.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers	29
American Beet Sugar	66½
American Can	60¼
American Car and Foundry	72
American Cotton Oil	55½
American Locomotive	65¾
American Smelting	110
American Sugar	114
American Tel. and Tel	127⅝
American Tobacco	206
Anaconda Copper	39⅝
Atchison	107¼
Atlantic Coast Line	113¼
Baldwin Locomotive	111⅝
Baltimore and Ohio	94½
Bethlehem Steel	425
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	87⅜
Canadian Pacific	53
Central Leather	64⅝
Chesapeake and Ohio	100⅝
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	87¾
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. Ry	143⅛
Consolidated Gas	133
Continental Can	55¾
Crucible Steel	41⅝
Erie	173
General Electric	174½
Great Northern, pfd	118¾
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	108⅛
Illinois Central	109⅝
Interborough Consol. Corp	31
Kansas City Southern	80¾
Liggett and Meyers	262
Lorillard Co	180¼
Missouri, Kansas and Texas, pfd	16
Missouri Pacific	5½
Mexican Petroleum	114⅝
National Lead	68
New York Central	108¼
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	75
Norfolk and Western	121
Northern Pacific	117⅜
Pennsylvania	58⅝
Reading	81¾
Rep. Iron and Steel	52¾
Seaboard Air Line	B. 17
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	B. 39
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	61
Studebaker Corporation	158
Southern Pacific	102⅜
Southern Railway	23¼
Southern Railway, pfd	63
Tennessee Copper	61
Texas Co	224
Texas and Pacific	9¼
Union Pacific	138
United States Rubber	55½
United States Steel	86½
United States Steel, pfd	117⅝
Utah Copper	80¼
Virginia-Caro. Chem	48
Va. Iron, Coal and Coke	B. 62½
Wabash, pfd., "B," Ctfs	31¼
Western Union	88¾
Westinghouse Electric	66⅜
United Fruit	146

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 6. — Turpentine, firm, 56 to 56¼. Sales, 172; receipts, 68; shipments, 13; stock, 15,855.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 1,309; receipts, 318; shipments, 126; stock, 76,105. Quote: A, B, 5.75; C, D, E, 5.75 to 5.80; F, G, H, 5.80; I, 5.85 to 5.90; K, 6.05; M, 6.50; N, 7.00; W G, 7.25; W W, 7.50.

New York, Jan. 6. — Mercantile paper, 3@3¼. Sterling sixty day bills, 4.72¼. Demand, 4.76⅜; cables, 4.77⅝. Bar silver, 56⅝; Mexican dollars, 43½. Government bonds, steady. Railroad bonds, irregular. Time loans, firm; 60 and 90 days, 2½ to 2¾; six months, 2¾ to 3.

Call money, easy. Ruling rate, 2.

New York, Jan. 6. — Raw sugar, barely steady; centrifugal, 4.39@4.58; molasses sugar, 3.60@3.81; refined, quiet.

Coffee—Steady. Rio, No. 7, 7¾; Santos, No. 4, 9.

Butter—Steady.

Cheese—Firm.

New York, Jan. 6. — Cotton goods were firm and less active today. Yarns also were firm, with a good inquiry for fine and medium counts. Cheap dress goods were in demand for immediate and later delivery. Knit goods were active.

Elon College, N. C., Jan. 6.—The Elon basketball 'varsity quint received a solar plexus blow today when it became known here that the fast guard of the past two seasons, Moulton B. Massey, would not return. Extreme regret was expressed over this circumstance, but this regret became indignation when it was later announced that Mr. Massey would take up his work at the University rather than here for the spring term.

THE WEATHER

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

January 7, 1916.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 60 degrees; at 8 P. M., 58 degrees; maximum, 72 degrees; minimum, 58 degrees; mean, 65 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, .00 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 5.7 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Local rains and colder Friday; Saturday probably fair.

SHIPPERS' FORECAST.

Protect 36-hour shipments north against temperatures of about 5 to 15 degrees.

The Port Calendar, January 7, 1916.

Sun rises . . . . . 7:19 A. M.
Sun sets . . . . . 5:18 P. M.
Day's length . . . . . 9 hrs. 59 min.

TOE TIDES.

	High water. A. M.	P. M.	Low water. A. M.	P. M.
Wilmington	11:30	11:42	6:22	6:55
Southport	9:28	9:52	3:11	3:53
Masonboro Inl	9:17	9:41	2:51	3:33

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS
January 6, 1916.

STATIONS:	Temperature: Weather at 8 P. M.	Highest today.	Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 p.m.
Abilene	cldy	38	32	.0
Asheville	cldy	46	44	.22
Atlanta	clear	68	60	.0
Augusta	clear	74	62	.0
Baltimore	cldy	42	—	.04
Birmingh.	cldy	62	52	.0
Boston	clear	40	38	.02
Charleston	clear	72	60	.0
Charlotte	cldy	62	54	.26
Chicago	pt cldy	18	6	.0
Galveston	clear	70	64	.0
Jacksonv.	clear	76	60	.0
Memphis	rain	36	32	.28
Mobile	foggy	72	60	.0
Montgom'y	clear	74	62	.0
New Orl.	clear	78	64	.0
New York	pt cldy	42	42	.0
Oklahoma	mist	28	22	.08
Palestine	clear	58	50	.0
Pittsburg	cldy	24	20	.08
Raleigh	cldy	62	60	.08
Savannah	cldy	78	60	.0
Shreveport	cldy	52	50	.01
St. Louis	cldy	24	12	.0
Washing'n	cldy	44	44	.01

Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 5, 1916.

At a meeting of the Ladies' Concordia Society, held today, the following was unanimously adopted:

The members of the Ladies' Concordia Society in sadness and sorrow at the death of their sister, Rachel Einstein, are mourning the loss of one who during her sojourn in our midst, had won our heartfelt affection, as well as our genuine veneration.

Gentle in disposition, upright in character, and steadfast in her ways and principles, she combined in herself and maintained to a ripe old age, the rare virtues that go to make up a true Jewish woman. We had learned to look up to her for inspiration in those sacred ideals, and her memory will ever be associated with them.

Our hearts go out in deep sympathy to her grief-stricken family, hoping that our Heavenly Father will send comfort and strength to them in this sad trial.

Resolved, That a page in our minute book be inscribed to the memory of our deceased sister.

Resolved, That the foregoing be published in our daily papers and that a copy thereof be entered on our minutes and one sent to the family of the dear, departed one.

Mrs. S. MENDELSOHN,
Mrs R. JOSEPHSON,
Mrs. B. SOLOMON,
Committee.

Mrs. S Solomon, Pres.
Mrs. M. W. Jacobi, Acting Sec'y.
(advertisement.)

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On sale February 28th to March 6th. Limited returning Midnight, March 17th Limit extended to April 3rd by payment $1.00. Tickets good for stop-over

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On sale February 28th to March 6th, inc. Limited returning Midnight, March 7th. Limit extended to April 3rd by payment $1.00. Tickets good for stop over.

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE RAILROAD COMPANY.

Office of the Treasurer,
Wilmington, N. C., December 30th, 1915.

The Board of Directors of Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company has declared a dividend of two and one-half per cent. on the Common Capital Stock of that Company, payable at the office of the Treasurer, Wilmington, N. C., on and after January 10th, 1916, to stockholders of record as of December 20th, 1915, at three o'clock P. M.

JAMES F. POST,
Treasurer

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Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington, Effective Dec. 27, 1915. Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES:	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS:
No. 50. 3:40 A.M. Monday morning only.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Soutnern Railroad.	No. 51. 1:15 A.M. Sunday morning (Saturday night) only.
No. 61. 5:30 A.M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia, and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to recieve outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M. and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 58. 11:59 P.M. Daily.
No. 64 5:15 A.M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65 6:15 P.M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only.
No. 48. 7:40 A.M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington Parlor Car, Wilmington to Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49. 6:05 P.M. Daily.
No. 54. 8:45 A.M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52. 5:00 P.M. Daily.
No. 62. 3:25 P.M. Daily.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 63. 12:50 P.M. Daily.
No. 60. 3:45 P.M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta. Pullman Cars between Florence and Columbia.	No. 54. 12:50 P.M. Daily.
No. 58. 6:30 P.M. Tues., Thurs. and Sat. only.	Fayetteville and Intermediate stations.	No. 59. 10:15 A.M. Tues., Thurs., Sat. only.
No. 42. 6:45 P. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41. 9:50 A.M. Daily.

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 168.

W. J. CRAIG, Passenger Traffic Manager.
T. C. WHITE, General Passenger Agent.
WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect November 28, 1915.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS

EASTBOUND			WESTBOUND		
Leave Front and for Winter Park	Leave Front and for Wrightsville	Leave... Front and for Beach	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Beach for Wilmington
a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a6:26 A. M.	a6:15 A. M.	.....
6:55 A. M.	6:55 A. M.	b6:55 A. M.	a7:36 A. M.	a7:25 A. M.	.....
a8:00 A. M.	a8:00 A. M.	.....	8:01 A. M.	7:50 A. M.	7:40 A. M.
8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	a8:41 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.	.....
.....	.....	.....	9:36 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	b10:31 A. M.	b10:20 A. M.	.....
11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	11:06 A. M.	10:55 A. M.	10:46 A. M.
b1:00 P. M.	b1:00 P. M.	b1:00 P. M.	12:36 P. M.	12:25 P. M.	12:15 P. M.
a1:10 P. M.	a1:10 P. M.	ae1:10 P. M.	b2:06 P. M.	b1:55 P. M.	b1:46 P. M.
c1:55 P. M.	c1:55 P. M.	.....	a3:01 P. M.	a1:50 P. M.	af1:46 P. M.
c d2:35 P.M.	.....	.....	a3:36 P. M.	a3:25 P. M.	.....
3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	d3:06 P.M.	.....	.....
3:30 P. M.	.....	.....	c3:50 P. M.	.....	.....
c4:10 P. M.	.....	.....	4:00 P. M.	3:55 P. M.	3:45 P. M.
4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	c4:30 P. M.	.....	.....
c4:50 P. M.	.....	.....	c5:10 P. M.	.....	.....
5:30 P. M.	5:30 P. M.	.....	5:36 P. M.	5:25 P. M.	5:15 P. M.
6:10 P. M.	6:10 P. M.	.....	6:11 P. M.	6:00 P. M.	.....
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BANKS MUST MAKE ACCURATE REPORTS

To Show Whether They Are Violating Usury Laws.

GIVE LIST OF LOANS

Call Issued by Comptroller of the Currency to National Banks Cautions Them to Make Out Their Statements With Care.

Washington, Jan. 6.—The Comptroller of the Currency today issued a call to the National Banks requiring them to report to him their condition at the close of business on Friday, December 13. In today's call the Comptroller goes further than at any previous time to learn if money is being loaned by National banks in violation of state usury laws.

He asks for a list of loans by all banks during 1915 upon which interest was charged or collected either in the shape of interest, discount or current rates which would amount to more than the equivalent of 6 per cent per annum."

"Banks are cautioned," says the call, "to prepare this statement with care and accuracy. When this report shall have been received National bank examiners will be instructed to verify the reports submitted by some banks, and if errors or discrepancies should be discovered which may seem to make it necessary in order to secure accuracy to verify the reports submitted by all banks, the examiners will be given instructions accordingly."

The call also asks banks to state whether it is their custom to require borrowers to carry deposits when loans are granted, how much they are now loaning to non-depositors, and how much is loaned and not secured by collateral.

The aggregate of amounts which borrowers have refused to pay banks because of alleged usury is asked and also the total payments made by banks as penalties for usury. The call asks for complete information as to the connection of officers and directors of any banks in other banks or trust companies, their salaries, liability as payers or indorsers and guaranteers of papers and the amount of overdrafts against them.

MELLEN MADE THE GOAT, BATTS SAYS

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penitentiary. But I will say that he cannot be classed with that despicable band whom we call grafters."

Mr. Mellen had derived from the New Haven no personal profit, the attorney explained, out of what the ex-president had himself termed on the witness stand his "private fliers" in the purchase of certain stocks. The purchases were made, Batts insisted, for the benefit of the New Haven, but Mellen in characterizing them as his own had sought to protect his directors.

Mr. Batts also denounced the defendants for attempting to shift responsibility to Edward D. Robbins, former general counsel of the road, and other lawyers who had given them advice. Mr. Batts dwelt on the contention of the defense that all the New Haven's acquisitions had legal sanction from state authorities or were approved by the Federal authorities at Washington. The testimony showed, he said, that the legal sanction was obtained, not before, but after, the acquisitions which "forced the authorities to consider, in view of the illegal acts of New Haven, how best the situation could be least harmfully met."

"It is no excuse," he added, "that somebody in charge of the adoption of the laws fails to discharge his duty. Nor is the law to be decided by the President or the Attorney General or by a railroad commission, but by the Congress of the United States."

Wickersham Ignorant of Facts.

Attorney General Wickersham never would have withdrawn the dissolution suit against the New Haven in 1909, the prosecutor asserted, had he known all the facts that had been presented to the judge in the present trial. The directors knew, he said, when they came into the contract for that purchase of Boston & Maine stock that it was a construction for the Sherman law.

Mr. Batts ridiculed the idea that John L. Billard, the Meriden coal dealer, acted independently when he purchased the Boston & Main stock from the New Haven and held it temporarily.

"What training did this coal dealer have," he said, "to become a railroad magnate in the class of Rockefeller and Morgan?"

CONVENTIONS MUST ELECT

But Democratic National Committeemen Need Not Run in Primary.

Little Rock, Ark., Jan. 6.—Delegates to the Democratic National Convention do not have to run in state primaries, but must be elected by the state conventions of that party, according to a statement issued here today by W. F. McCombs, National democratic chairman. Mr. McCombs' explanation was given in view of the fact that the Arkansas committee had declared that delegates must seek nomination in primary and because he said he understood that a dozen other states were contemplating same procedure. "The plank adopted at the Democratic convention in Baltimore is a suggestion and is not mandatory," Mr. McCombs said.

FOR WILSON AND MARSHAL

Petitions to Place Names on Democratic Ballot in Indiana.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 6.—Petitions requesting that the names of President Wilson and Vice President Marshal be placed on the ballot to be voted on for renomination in the primary March 7 were filed with the Secretary of State here today. More than 500 names were signed to the petitions. Joseph P. Tumulty, secretary to the President telephoned from Washington to James H. Fry giving him authority to file the petition in behalf of President Wilson.

336 STILL MISSING.

Number of Persons on Liner Persia Not Yet Accounted for.

London, Jan. 6.—An announcement made tonight by the Peninsular & Oriental Steamship Company, says that the number of persons on board the steamer Persia who have not been accounted for aggregates 336. Of these 119 were passengers and 217 members of the crew.

MANY DROWN WHEN RIVER BOAT SINKS

Three Bodies Recovered From Wreck in Ohio River.

NINE OTHERS MISSING

Steamer Kanawha Sank Wednesday Night When She Struck Pier Near Parkersburg, W. Va. —Investigation.

Parkersburg, W. Va., Jan. 6.—A vigilant search was made today in the vicinity of the point where the steamer Kanawha, of the Kanawha Packet Company, struck a pier and sank in the Ohio river nine miles below here last night, but so far only three bodies have been recovered. Nine persons are known to be missing. Captain Brady M. Berry, of the packet, claims, however, that there were about 20 passengers and a crew of 40 aboard but so far the number of survivors represented total only 45. Only this number 10 were passengers and 35 members of the crew. The only passenger list kept sank with the boat.

The bodies recovered were identified as those of Mrs. Ollie Fitzpatrick, Johnstown, Pa.; Anna Campbell, colored, chambermaid, Pomeroy, Ohio, and Burt Wolfe, head purser, Rockland, Ohio.

The known missing are: Lloyd Geo. Steward, Gallopis, Ohio; Mrs. E. C. Atkinson, Racine, Ohio, passenger; W. L. Hoblitzell, Sr., and wife, Washington, D. C., passengers; W. L. Hoblitzell, Jr., wife and infant, Washington, D. C., passengers; Mrs. Ulysses Beagle, Ravine, Ohio, passenger; Arthur Beaver, watchman, Dorcas, Ohio.

The bodies of Mrs. Fitzpatrick and Miss Campbell were found floating in the river near Harris Ferry, not far from the scene of the accident. It is believed that both died from exposure after clinging to wreckage. Wolfe's body was found in the main cabin pinioned to the wall by the steamer's safe.

Arrangements have been made to take divers to the wreck to examine the interior of the packet and search for bodies while notices have been sent to points down the river to keep a watchout for bodies.

Reports received here last night said that rescue parties from the Ohio shore saved twenty persons from the water immediately after the accident but a search today failed to disclose any survivors on that side of the river.

Investigations into the cause of the accident were begun today by government steamboat inspections, Capt. E. W. Roe, owner of the packet, and E. E. Winters, state railway inspector. Members of the crew tonight declared that every effort was made to save these aboard and all life preservers were put into use as far as possible in the limited time for getting the passengers away from the boat.

CONDITIONS WONDERFULLY

IMPROVED IN THE WEST

Furniture and Lumber Industries Prosperous Now, Says Gilkey.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 6.—J. G. Gilkey, of Marion, here on business with the State Department today, says business condtions are wonderfully improved in his section of the State. He says the revival started some months ago with the lumber and furniture manufacturing business and has spread into all channels of industrial efforts. He says the furniture factories are running over time with orders very much ahead and lumber is moving in large quantities at very much improved prices. Mr. Gilkey is one of the representatives of the State on the Board of directors of the North Carolina Railroad Company.

Judge G. Conner ordered a final adjournment of the Federal court today for the term. The court had been in session since the Christmas holidays under an adjournment taken from the November term. Only civil causes have been on trial.

PLEDGES OF LOYALTY.

Being Sought From All Foreign-Born Citizens in America.

New York, Jan. 6.—A joint campaign has been undertaken by the Daughters of the American Revolution and the American Defense Society to obtain from foreign-born citizens pledges of loyalty to the United States. Printed slips are being distributed among naturalized Americans for their signatures. These slips constitute an agreement to defend the United States "by every means in my power when called upon through the necessity of invasion or foreign war." The pledges will be spread broadcast by the regents of the various chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

JEWISH RELIEF DAY.

Senator Martine's Resolution is Adopted in the Senate.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Senator Martine's resolution asking the President to set aside a day as Jewish relief day for Jewish war sufferers was adopted today after Chairman Stone, of the foreign relations committee, had said that while he approved such a cause in relation to the Poles and Jews, whom he said were without a government of their own, he hoped it would not extend to any of the other nations.

New York, Jan. 6.—Resolutions expressing hope for world peace and outlining fundamental problems of church unity were adopted at the closing session today of the Church Unity Conference at Garden City. Many of the delegates displayed deep emotion because of the impetus they believed had been given the propaganda for the unification of Christian communions.

West Point, N. Y., Jan. 6.—The Army baseball team will play 22 games during the 1916 season, beginning March 29, according to the schedule announced tonight. On Saturday, May 27, it will play the Navy nine at Annapolis, and this will be the only contest played away from the Military Academy.

IMMEDIATE ACTION FOR GREATER ARMY PLEA OF GARRISON

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had prepared, "may depend upon what is done in this matter at this time. This great opportunity will be lost unless a wise, sensible and practical policy is the result of the consideration and action of this Congress."

Referring to the far-spread military responsibilities of the nation, reaching into the insular possessions, China, Alaska, and the Panama Canal Zone, Mr. Garrison added:

"We have determined and announced that the sovereignty of the other republics on this homisphere shall remain inviolable, and must therefore at all times stand ready to make good our position in this connection."

He then quoted figures to show the full strength of the army on June 30 last—105,993 officers and men of the combatant forces, and their present distribution. To these should be added he said, 1,183 officers and 17,818 men of the non-combatant arms of the service, bringing the total number of Federal troops up to 166,619. He pointed out that the item of pay alone made up approximately 50 per cent of the total proposed appropriations.

Comparative Area of United States.

The United States, including Alaska, said the Secretary, is of greater area than the combined total of Austro-Hungary, Belgium, the British Isles, Bulgaria, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Japan, Portugal, Russia in Europe, Spain and Turkey in Euhope, the total of these areas representing only 97 per cent of that of the United States.

"It will of necessity," he added, "be conceded by anyone who admits that military force is requisite at all that our present military force is totally inadequate to meet our responsibilities.

"The chaos which a crisis always produces where preparations in advance have not been made, makes it certain that several months of necessity would intervene after the outbreak of war before any considerable number of volunteers would be ready to take their training, and months of training must then ensue before they could be ready to be sent into battle."

A similar delay would meet the effort to assemble arms, equipment and ammunition, Mr. Garrison said, and he insisted that if it accomplished nothing more, the plan now proposed would obviate much of this loss of time.

"There is a disposition upon the part of some," he continued, "to assume that we are facing a crisis. The only way to meet any emergency is by adopting emergency measures. The personnel and material needed for military purposes should be immediately mobilized. Every nerve should be strained, and every resource drawn upon, and nothing overlooked necessary to preserve and defend us, regardless of cost and of other considerations.

"In my view, the occasion calls for the adoption of a wise, sensible, adequate military policy, on permanent lines and for definite ends.

"There is common agreement among those who have studied the subject intelligently that we should have a force in the continental United States of 500,000 men subject to instant call.

"Modern warfare, while it has demonstrated the increased use of mechanical instruments of war, has also demonstrated the increased use of numbers. In addition, therefore, to those with the colors subject to instant call, there should be at all times in the country large numbers of men available, by reason of previous service, for military purposes.

"Our immediate problem, therefore, seems to be how shall we meet these requirements.

50,000 Recruits Per Year.

"The Adjutant General, after a most careful consideration of the whole subject matter and personal attention thereto, reaches the conclusion that he cannot expect, under present conditions, to recruit more than 50,000 men per year for the army. It would therefore seem impracticable in the last degree to consider that the problem can be solved by providing for a standing army of the size necessary for this solution.

"I do not in any way share the fear of those who think that proper military preparations involve any interference whatever with the supremacy of the civil authorities. I do, however, firmly believe that in a democracy the defense of the nation should rest upon the citizens and not upon a professional, paid military force, constantly under arms and devoted solely to military pursuits. I think it is clear that from every standpoint we can dismiss the suggestion that the situation should be properly met by a standing army of 500,000 men, constantly under arms."

Turning to the National Guard, Mr. Garrison said:

"At the present time this force consists of approximately 129,000 men and officers, and it would therefore be necessary if it is to be expanded to 400,000 to add 271,000 men and officers.

"If this policy should be attempted to be adopted, Congress would first have to require the states to raise and maintain all of these troops and the states would have to practically treble their existing equipment. I do not know whether Congress would have any power to impose this burden upon the states. It seems to me that a mere statement of this situation indicates how utterly futile it is to attempt this solution."

Mr. Garrison pointed out that the National Guard could be called in Federal service only for three purposes, to suppress domestic insurrection, to enforce the law, and to repel invasion, and added: "There is no one thing so free from dispute as that the basis of any proper military system must be unity of responsibility, authority and control. It is absolutely impossible to have this essential unity under the Constitutional provisions with respect to the organized militia or National Guard.

Wants More Aid for Militia.

"The suggestion that the situation can properly be met by some sort of provision making these troops subject to call of the nation for all purposes, in case of war, instead of only for the three purposes specified in the Constitution, overlooks and disregards the fundamental basic trouble which this remedy does not even touch, much less cure. The National Guard, however, as it exists, is a Federal asset. It is so circumstanced that it can volunteer for service in time of war and be taken in as it exists. I, therefore, propose a large addition to the Federal aid extended to the National Guard, so that the system may be operated to its maximum capacity and be available for the Federal purposes specified, in its most effective condition.

"With respect to the so-called Militia Pay Bill, I only desire to say this. I have always felt that any pay for home training should proceed from the state and not from the Nation. If the Congress prefers the method of direct Federal pay, it is not a matter in which I have any individual judgment upon which I care to insist."

Mr. Garrison took up suggestions that the Swiss or Australian military systems be adapted to American needs. Of the former, he said, universal military service and the beginning of the training work in the public schools formed its most prominent elements, while the Australian system likewise required military service from all male citizens. "In this country," he continued, "it is not believed practicable at this time to found a military policy upon either of the two essential bases of the systems just described. The National government has no jurisdiction over the public school systems of the various states. A Constitutional amendment would be required to give it any such jurisdiction. Furthermore, it is not believed that the people of this country have reached the conclusion that compulsory military service is a necessity. However rational such conclusion may be, and however inevitable it may be thought that the people will eventually reach such a conclusion, it is futile to found a policy upon any such requisite at this time; if there is not reasonable hope to expect that it will receive the approval of the people at this time. If you found your system upon any such essential basis, and there is no good ground to expect that you can secure such a basis by legislative enactment, the result would be that no step whatever would be taken, and that would be a lamentable result. If, on the other hand, you adopt a practical system, based upon the voluntary action of the people, and that fails, then policies based upon universal service or some form of compulsory service will be enacted as the only remaining remedy."

Continental Army Plan.

The Secretary then outlined the continental army plan which proposes to raise 400,000 men in annual increments of 133,000 each from districts approximating the 400 Congressional districts, each to supply 333 men annually. The men would enlist for three years with the colors and three years on furlough, and would be armed, equipped and officered. Their training would be done by the officers and men of the regular army organization and they would be paid during the time of their service on the same basis as the regular army.

"For convenience of designation," he continued, "this force has been called the Continental Army, but in fact, it is a system of Federal volunteers, raised, organized, equipped and trained in time of peace. There is absolutely nothing new in this suggestion, as it has been a result reached and expressed by the very best military authorities this country has produced. It will not have escaped your notice that this proposed system is practically the same thing as the Swiss and Australian system, leaving out the supervision of the public schools and work therein of a military character, and compulsory military service. If compulsory military service is now desired for the country, and legislation concerning it can be expected by the Congress, then a short provision in the act will accomplish it. Such a clause would provide that wherever the quota required of any district by a certain date is short of the proper number, a selective process to obtain that number shall be put into effect."

Turning to the question of the size of the regular army necessary to train the Continentals and carry on the various military activities of the War Department in normal times, Mr. Garrison said it had been demonstrated to him that a mobile force of 50,000 and 20,000 coast artillery troops would serve all needs. Such a force, an increase of nearly 40,000 over the present army, he said, would be comparatively inexpensive, would require no additional quarters and could be recruited For these reasons he recommended the addition of ten regiments of infantry, four regiments of field artillery, 52 companies of coast artillery, 15 companies of engineers and four aero squadrons to the present force, bringing the enlisted strength in two years up to 134,707, and the number of officers to 7,086.

"The officers and men of the new organizations are absolutely essential if the War Department plan is to be fairly tried out," he added. "In the plan of the War College division of the General Staff, an army of about 250,000 is so distributed that in continental United States there would be left 121,000 mobile army troops. In the War Department plan, these divisions are at peace strength, so that they are capable of expansion. The War College division plan proposes a two-year enlistment, with six years in reserve, and, eventually, at the end of eight years, makes up a line of 500,000 men of the regular army, of whom 121,000 would be with the colors, and 379,000 in reserve.

As to First Line Army.

"I do not, for one, believe that you can safely count on a force that is made of those presently in the service with the colors, plus those who are through with their active service and are back in civil life, scattered all over the country, if the force is to be your first line. In the plan proposed by the War Department, the first line would consist of those who are actually with the colors, that is, those in the regular army, who are actually serving and those in the Continental Army, who are actually serving. The reserves of these organizations would be available just as they would be in the War College Division plan, but they are not counted upon as part of the first line.

"If anything whatever of value is to be accomplished at this session of the Congress, certain general principles must be recognized as underlying the whole subject. I sincerely believe that an attentive study of the whole subject will lead to the conclusion previously stated, that a small, highly trained, highly effective, regular army, expansible in character, Federal volunteers, raised, officered and trained in time of peace, and the National Guard for state uses, is the best solution.

"With respect to the coast fortifications and accumulations of reserve material, it does not seem useful to add anything to what is stated in my annual report. These two matters require an aggregate of $46,000,000 a year for a period of four years, and this of necessity must be kept in mind in dealing with any proposed policy."

MEXICO BASIS FOR DEBATE IN SENATE

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wisely handled by a man long visioned and deep visioned and tender visioned. He has all three of them. They are apt to be mismanaged when they are made a game of battledore and shuttlecock on the floor of these two houses, even when I am one who plays the game."

U. S. STEEL CORPORATION TO INCREASE WAGES 10 PER CENT

Will Increase Annual Pay Roll $15,000,000—Affects 240,000 Men.

New York, Jan. 6.—Because of the prosperous condition attending the steel and iron trade, the finance committee of the United States Steel Corporation, acting on the recommendation of the heads of its subsidiary companies, today decided to increase the wages of its common laborers by about 10 per cent, the advance to take effect February 1. Increases also will be mad among other classes of employes.

The proposed increase will effect the greater part of the corporations' force of about 240,000 mn and will increase the annual pay roll by $15,000,000, according to estimates by the corporation's representatives.

It is expected that the action of the Steel Corporation will be followed by most of its leading competitors, including some of the so-called independent operators.

New York, Jan. 6.—The steamship Patris, having on board the 300 passengers of the Greek liner Thessaloniki, abandoned at sea yesterday, arrived at quarantine at 9:50 tonight and will dock tomorrow morning.

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WANTED — WHITE GIRL TO HELP nurse 18 months baby and help with house work in family of three. Nice room, furnished. Address Box 124, Sanford, N. C. ja6-2t*

AFTERNOON WORK WANTED, OR AT night, by student in business college; preferably to assist book-keeper, but any other work taken. Moderate pay expected. "Student," care Star. ja6-2t

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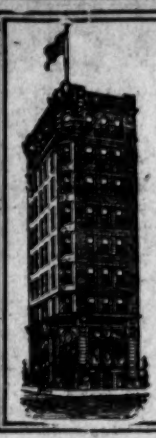

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RESOURCES:		Liabilities:	
Loans and Discounts	$5,395,096.70	Capital Stock	$1,000,000.00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	810,000.00	Surplus and Net Profits	650,081.54
Bank Building	480,000.00	Circulation	730,200.00
Bonds and Other Securities	293,650.00	Special Deposit Bonds	115,000.00
Liquidation Account Southern Nat. Bank	90,748.30	Rediscounts	789,302.50
Cash and Due by Banks	1,678,236.41	Deposits	5,463,147.37
	$8,747,731.41		$8,747,731.41

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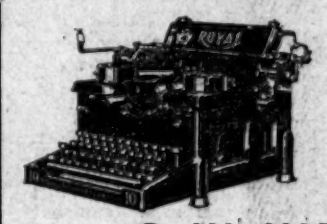

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